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J. A. LANKFORD, M. S.

HAS RISEN FROM OBSCURITY TO A POSITION OF EMINENCE.

A FEW OF HIS ACHIEVEMENTS.

As Writer, Machinist, Carpenter, Architect and Photographer, he is Truly Leaving His "Footprints on the Sands of Time."

Some of the principles of physical science show that the five senses: hearing, seeing, smelling, tasting and feeling, form the medium through which man's knowledge of the material world is gathered—that each organ has a distinct function and is adapted to receive a particular influence of matter, and however delicate its structure, each is wholly insensible to every influence except that to which it is especially adapted; the eye is not affected by sound, or the ear by taste, nor the organs of smell by sight—each is constituted as to perform its particular function independently. Then, too, no two bodies can occupy the same space at the same time.

These principles may be carried into the realms of sociological as well as other important discussions with both pleasure and profit. There is no question, we think, but that certain men are born to fill certain places in life—that John Jones' son was born to live and die John Jones' son; so it is with men who seem destined to occupy certain places in the varied activities of life. Each man must fill a certain place and he must fill it well, or be displaced by another. It is the law that governs all lives of whatever kind.

One man takes brush, paint and canvass and produces a picture that is worth one thousand dollars—he is called an artist. Another man takes a comparatively worthless piece of paper and writes upon it a few verses that sells for $1,000—he is called a poet. Another man takes a few pieces of iron and brass and constructs a wonderful machine that is worth $1,000—he is called a genius. And still another devotes himself to digging into the earth, sowing and reaping, and after a while he sells the product of his toil—he is called a laborer. Each of these men appreciate the fact that to accomplish the feat of earning $1,000 he must fit himself by dilligent study and hard work—each must have training in addition to what natural gifts he may possess. In proportion as each one sticks to his chosen task and is undisturbed by the success of his neighbor, to that extent will he succeed. There are plenty of notable examples of this theory.

There is no lack of romantic elements in the careers of young men of the Negro race. The peculiar glamour with which each life is so strangely touched and with which each narrative furnishes the picture, makes it possible to get material for a fascinating bit of fiction out of the history of almost every Negro born since the civil war. This new Negro is rising very rapidly. Like the half-hushed rumblings from a far off storm, we can hear, perhaps but faintly, the approach of this new man, just out of the gloom and awful thraldom of a puzzling situation, making his way onward and upward to the front, where he is to take his place by the side of the noblest and best of the world's honored chieftains in all the avenues of life.

It is with pleasure that we call attention to a type of this new man in the person of Person of Professor John Anderson Lankford, M. S., superintendent of Industries at Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C. Born December 4, 1874, at Potosi, Mo., of poor, but highly respected parents, it will be seen that he is still quite a young man. Notwithstanding this, however, he has carved out a destiny already that is commendable and worthy of special study. He has labored hard and dilligently to fit himself to occupy his present lofty position in life. He has had head training, heart training, and hand training, the three great essentials of our time. He has had his difficulties. He has had his embarrassments. He has been forced at times to ward off the dangerous consequences of urgent obligations by running under the safe shelter of a "promise" to pay late. But every successful man has his embarrassments.

"I know that the soul is aided
Sometimes by the heart's unrest,
And to 'grow' means often to suffer;
But whatever is—is best."

After making a good record in the public school of his native town, he went to Crystal City, Mo., at the age of 13 years, where he worked under a German mechanic for two years. While here he thought of the advantages of having a college training, and so he left Crystal City for Lincoln Institute at Jefferson City, Mo., where he spent six years. Under the laudable ambition to work his way through this institution, he accepted the position of assistant janitor and at the same time acted as an agent for a laundry and tailoring establishment. By this means he earned money enough to pay his way. He took high rank while at Lincoln Institute and won the respect of both student body and faculty. On leaving the institute he went to St. Louis to engage in the blacksmithing business. A little later he gave up the business to take a special course at the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, at Tuskegee, Ala. On leaving Tuskegee he went to Atlanta, Ga., to take up the study of photography, and while there he was employed as superintendent of an important department of the Fulton Bag and Cotton company's plant. Owing to a strike, the outcome of race feeling, he was forced to resign his place. He immediately went to Nashville, Tenn. Here he was employed as night engineer for the Nashville Ice company. Just after the exposition he was engaged by Prof. W. H. Council, of the Agricultural and Mechanical College for Negroes, at Normal, Ala., to put in the steam fitting, foundry and saw-milling plant in connection with the above named institution. He left the A. and M. college in 1898 to put in the machinery for the Coleman Cotton Mills, at Concord, N. C. This great enterprise was mentioned as the most important undertaking of its kind ever attempted by Negroes. After finishing his work in connection with the Coleman Cotton Mills he accepted the superintendency of Industries at Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C, one of the largest and most important institutions of the South for the education of the Negro. His work at Shaw has been of a very satisfactory character. The exhibits from his industrial classes have taken first prizes at the State Fair of North Carolina.

Professor Lankford ranks high as an architect. He has just furnished the drawings, plans and specifications for the erection of a large Baptist church soon to be built in the city of Raleigh. He is a photographer, too, and his pictures were used to the exclusion of others from which to make the cuts for the "Shaw number" of the Baptist Home Mission Monthly, issued in March of this year. And to further indicate his versatility, he has an article on "What Shaw is Doing Industrially for Man." He is, therefore, a writer as well as a machinist, carpenter, architect and photographer. Indeed, Prof. Lankford is a very useful citizen.

He married Miss Charlotte Upshaw, grand-daughter of Bishop H. M. Turner, and the happy couple live in the city of Raleigh. Prof. Lankford is a splendid example of vigorous manhood, and one worthy of the highest praise.

CHARLES ALEXANDER.
Wilberforce, O.

PROF. JOHN ANDERSON LANKFORD, M. S.,
Superintendent of Industries, Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C.

Spicy, Sparkling Splashes.

Los Angeles, Cal., Special.—Misses Gertie and Anna Lee Gardner entertained a party of young folks on the 10th inst., at their residence, 112 Review street, Boyle Heights, in honor of Miss Gladys Carrington, of Austin, Tex. Among those present were: Misses Lettie Shores, Ada Hawkins, Louis Shores, Buel Jones and John Jackson. Delicious refreshment were served in Abundance. The funeral of Lucius Alexander was held on the 13th at the late residence on E. Eighth street, Rev. S. W. Hawkins officiating. The deceased professed religion a few days before he died. Miss Gladys Carrington, who has been visiting in the city, has returned to her home in Austin, Tex. She will visit our city again next Spring. A May Fair was held at the A. M. E. church during the week begining the 14th inst. The booths were presided over by the following ladies: Fancy work, Mrs. G. B. Lewis; domestic, Mrs. H. M. Spilly; ice cream, Mrs. S. M. Warner; soda water, Mrs. J. M. Scott; merchants display, Mmes. Bass and Roan. Supper was served each evening. Concerts were given each evening by the Sabbath school.

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Rests in the Tomb.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.—Ned Hutchinson, an esteemed citizen of our community, died on the 7th inst., after an illness of three days with typhoid fever. Mr. Hutchinson was a veteran employe of John Hust & company, by whom he had been employed for fifteen years. He had been a christian for many years and was a member of the Fifth Ward church, from which the funeral took place, Rev. W. H. C. Stokes officiating. Wesley Chapel A. M. E. church is nearly completed. Preparations are being made for the opening. Ed. Durant, the Canadian, is visiting in the city. Cratic Boyd is slowly recovering from his recent illness. Mrs. Blakey has been confined to her home on account of a sprained ankle. Ramey Suggs, of Chicago, is visiting in the city. The senior normal class of Frances Rhodes college has elected the following officers: Miss M. L. Talley, president; Miss M. L. Manson, vice-president; Miss W. K. Hawkins, secretary; Miss R. M. Manson, treasurer. The attendance is good and an elaborate commencement is anticipated. The Freeman is on sale by W. L. Johnson, 117 S. First street.

Nonpareil Social Club.

Watertown, N. Y., Special.—The Nonpareil Social club which was organized a few weeks ago, elected officers as follows: H. A. DeFrank, president; C. Holcomb, vice-president; J. R. Dickinson, secretary; Benj. Buck, sargeat-at-arms. The club is composed of some of our best young men.

IN BUSINESS FIELD

SOME VERY FINE BARBERSHOPS IN PROSPEROUS DAYTON.

THE GIMPS CLUB ENTERTAINMENT

A Great Meeting of the Mt. Washington Temple Mystic Shrine, Springfield, O., Met by the Antioch Temple of Dayton--Other Notes.

Dayton, O., Special.—John Wells, waiter at the Algonquin has closed the season and will leave the city in a few days and go down East for the summer. Mrs. Emma Grafford has returned from Chicago after spending a few months with friends. The model barbershop at 16 South Market street removed to 20, on the same street. It will be one of the finest colored shops in the city with bath connections, J. R. Prabst and M. C. Moore, managers. The Gimps club entertained the newly married couple, Mr. and Mrs. Ginnit at their residenc on Maple street, Sunday evening, the 12th. Among those present were: Misses Farest Singleton, Myrtle Brand, Pearl Timberlick, Mary Tayler, Alice Hunter, Gertrude McGruder, Messrs. Eugene Bush, Ruby Hamesley and Smith McCarthy. Julius Yaber, a former resident of this city, has returned after a long stay in Cincinnati. Messrs. Rogans and Warmack formerly of this city have returned from Xenia. Rev. J. Collins of this city and Rev. J. H. Smith of Piqua, O., changed pulpits Sunday the 13. Mt. Washington Temple of Springfield, O., had a grand meeting April 6, quite a number from here went as follows: Capt. Noble, J. M. Butler, Noble Jenkins, patrolman; William Hall, Adam Hickman, David Gallway, Harry Richardson and Sam Shephard. The meeting of the Antioch Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine and that these were the nobles that had in past traveled the hot sands of the desert and were gathered for the ceremony of inducting into the order another band of nobles: Nobles J. Wilborn, Charles Robbin of Springfield and Noble Craft of Tennessee who has the 33° did some very fine work in the order.

African Methodism in Georgia.

Savannah, Ga., Special.—Never has there been more rejoicing and thanksgiving over the dedication of a church than there was manifested over the dedication of St. Philips Monumental church. Bishop H. M. Turner led the procession at 4 a. m., from the basement to the new auditorium. It will be remembered that this church was demolished by the storm in '96. Dr. A. A. Whitman was transferred from Kentucky and assigned to the pastoral duties in 1897, and for three years he labored hard and succeeded in rebuilding the walls. Rev. R. H. Singleton was then made pastor and completed the work at a cost of $5,500. The dedication services took place on the 13th inst. Bishop Turner preached a grand sermon at 4 a. m. At 11 a. m. Rev. D. S. Wells, Mission P. A., preached an excellent sermon. At 3 p. m. Rev. W. O. P. Sherman, D. D., presiding elder of the Savannah district, preached an eloquent sermon. It was a grand effort and was well received. At 8 p. m. the Sabbath school, under the direction of Prof. James P. Sherman, rendered the best program that has been heard by the school for years. The principal address was made by Prof. R. R. Wright, A. M., LL. D., president of the G. S. I. C. It was eloquent and was received with prolonged applause. Too much can not be said of our worthy pastor, Rev. R. H. Singleton, for the able manner in which he labored to complete the church.

News Jottings.

Ironton. Mo., Special.--The Rev. Mr. Smalley, pastor of the M. E. church, preached a very interesting and soul-stirring sermon last Sabbath evening. The Misses Daisy Lankford and Nettie Hingston of Potosi are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Boyd. The annual sermon of the K. of P. Lodge No. 30 will be preached here on the 27th. All knights are required to be present John Anthony, who has been ill for the past week, is out again. Mrs. Isabella Buckner of St. Louis is spending a few days here. Dr. O. Combs and Wife of Poplar Bluff arrived here on the 20th. They are on their way to Edwardsville, Kas., where they will remain during the summer. The minstrel show given by the band boys on the 19th was the biggest hit of the season. The show was a success in every respect. Proceeds will go to purchase new instruments.

FARM AND HOME

Growing Sunflower Seed.

Sunflower seed has become a commodity of considerable commercial importance, and there are sections where it is extensively grown and its growth may be taken up by others with profit. A market exists for it in every large city, seedsmen and feed dealers handling it. The price has ranged from 3 to 4½ cents for two years to the grower which is higher than usual.

The seed is planted and the crop cultivated very similiar to a crop of corn and should be planted about the same time. The plants should stand about 16 inches apart in rows four feet apart. Five pounds of seed are required to plant an acre.

In the fall when the seed is thoroughly ripe and the heads are beginning to dry, the farmer drives through the field with a wagon having a large tight box. The heads are cut off and thrown into the wagon box where one or two boys strike the heads with sticks causing the seed to drop into the box and the heads are then tossed out on the ground. The seed is then taken to the barn floor and spread eight to ten inches deep, where they are thoroughly stirred each day for two or three weeks, when they will be dry and ready to clean through a fanning mill. The yield of seeds varies from 1,000 to 1.500 pounds per acre.—Indiana Farmer.

Peach Tree Borers.

For the last eight years I have set peach trees every year, and I never fail to make a thorough application of the tar. With an old paint brush 1 put it upon the trunk of the trees before setting, spreading the tar from the roots up the trunk from eight to twelve inches. I am careful to remove any borers that may be in the trees as they come from the nursery. I keep in mind this fact, that the coal tar will not kill the borer deeply buried under the bark, but will prevent the moth from depositing its eggs at the base of the tree. The application of the tar must be made annually thereafter, being sure to finish the work before the moth begins to fly, which I believe is from June 1 to 15 usually. In making these annual, applications it is necessary to insure success that the earth be removed down to the roots: The bark from the roots up eight to twelve inches must be completely covered with the tar.

In case the tree is suffering from the effects of the shot hole borer or fruit bark beetle, I know of nothing that is equal to the coal tar as a remedy. In case of mechanical injury to a tree the tar is better than any paint or wash we have ever tried.—New York Correspondence Orange Judd Farmer.

Farm Notes

If weeds are annuals they will die out if not allowed to produce seeds. If they are perennials keep cut down, so as not to permit them to produce leaves.

The hens which moult early are the winter layers. The chances are that if a hen does not get through moulting until cold weather comes on she will not begin laying until it passes away. Keep the early moulters.

Orchard grass does well in the shade compared with some varieties, and is one of the best to sow with blue grass in orchards or woodlands. It grows rapidly and luxuriently, beginning early in the season and remaining until late in the fall. It has a tendency to "stool," but, nevertheless, in nutritious material, it is equal to many varieties more generally used.

Japan clover is not equal to the common red clover, but it will grow on poorer soils. It is excellent in pastures prefers a clay soil and is said to thrive even on naked soils which contain but little humas. It has more ash when consumed than red clover and contains more nitrogenous matter, but is deficient in potash and phosporic acid compared with red clover.

If rye that has been used for early green food this spring is allowed to grow, after the cattle have grazed upon it, it will make sufficient growth to provide a green manurial crop to be plowed under for corn, thus returning to the soil as plant food much valuable mineral matter secured from the subsoil. Rye is valuable both for covering the ground in winter and as a pasturage and green crop in the spring.

Nearly all farms extend to the middle of the roadway and farmers should not overlook the fact that they have certain rights on the highways. Each farmer should look after the trees along the trees along the roadside, in order to add to the attractiveness of his farm and the weeds which grow outside of the fences should be kept down, as it is neglect of the highways that gives weeds and insects their greatest opportunities for damaging the farms.

All tests of cows, where records are desired, should be public. Before the dairy test at the Chicago world's fair was made known the claims of the owners of cows carried the production to a point which was not generally accepted. Some of the best cows at the world's fair failed to give the yields expected of them. The cause was attributed to nervousness, but the tests at Chicago seemed to put an end to extraordinary claims of butter produced.

More pigs are lost in the summer season from improper feeding than from any other cause. They are compelled to consume foods that are not conductive to thrift and which lead to disease in the herd. Some feeders keep slop in barrels, which ferments until sour, having a very disagreeable odor, the pigs being fed largely upon the slop. This kind of food is more injurious in summer than in winter as it induces bowel disease. The best slop is milk and bran freshly made, with grass, vegetables and plenty of pure water which will induce growth and keep the pigs in good condition.

The best breeds of fowls for free range are the nonsetters. All nonsetters lay eggs with a white shell and will not become broody unless made excessively fat. They are active and in the summer season, when grass and insects can be obtained are nearly self supporting. Among the favorites may be mentioned the Leghorns, which are divided into the brown, black, white, buff and Dominique varieties, differing only in color and they are hardy and vigorous. They also make good winter layers if given warm quarters and, being small in size, more of them can be kept on a given space than of the large breeds.

The improvement of our country roads is so nearly a private matter that we need not look for government help says a writer in the Orange Judd Farmer. All the taxes raised in cities for road improvement are expended within the city limits, so that the wealth of the cities would be exempt, except through the possible channel of state or county aid Thus the expense of making hard roads would fall upon the farm lands and personal property outside the cities. As the laws now stand there is nothing to hinder the making of good or hard roads wherever the material is within reasonable distance or where we feel like incuring the necessary outlay of time and money.

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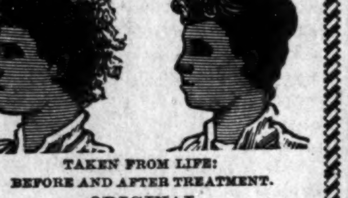

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THE WAITER....

[BY W. FORREST COZART.]

W. C. Casey, late headwaiter at the Leland hotel, Chicago, and formerly at the Windermere and Hyde Park hotels in that city, is now in charge at the Del Prado hotel, Chicago, where he succeeded Phil Orr April 1st. Mr. Orr has been at the Del Prado for about four years.

Another mulatto headwaiter, who thought himself too good to associate with his race, has seen his finish.

The head and side waiters of San Antonio, Tex., have organized for mutual benefit, having received a charter from the Hotel Mens' Benevolent Association of Houston, Tex. The officers of the new lodge are: R. H. Bradley, headwaiter at the Menger hotel, most worthy master; Harry White, vice-worthy master; John Thompson, secretary; Thos. Walker, assistant secretary; Wm. Wilson, treasurer; H. A. Johnson, chaplain; Thos. Calhoun, inner guard; B. Townsend, outside guard. Messrs. L. Freeman and W. Powell represented the Houston lodge and assisted the new lodge in organizing. There seems to be a general movement of the waiters throughout the country to organize, which is of no small significance. That is right, boys. Wake up.

E. T. Montgomery, the well-known headwaiter who was in charge of the Bailey Catering Company's restaurants at the Buffalo Pan-American Exposition, is now residing in Los Angeles, Cal., where he hopes to recuperate his health.

The season at Hot Springs, Ark., is nearing the end after a very successful season.

The twenty-third annual convention of the Hotel Men's Mutual Benefit Association of the United States and Canada was held at the Hotel Royal Poincians, Palm Beach, Fla., on Tuesday, March 25. It is stated that about 100 members were present. President W. W. Davis made an excellent report. The new officers for the ensuing year are: George A. Lougee, Madison, Wis., president; Amos W. Whipple, Boston, Mass., first vice-president; J. K. Blotchford, Chicago, Ill., secretary and treasurer. The convention wound up with the usual banquet. Messrs. James H. Breslin of New York, H. J. Bohn of the Hotel World, A. R. Blakely, J. H. O'Neil, H. Goodwin and Joseph Jefferson of "Rip Van Winkle" fame, delivered addresses.

The Hotel Men's Mutual Benefit Association is composed of hotel proprietors, managers, clerks and stewards. The association has 1,058 members, and during the last fiscal year dropped sixty-one members for non-payment of assessment and suffered the loss of twenty-two members by death. The headwaiter's association should take encouragement from above facts.

Wm. H. Lane, employed for a short time as butler in the family of Mrs. Ella Furbush in Philadelphia, robbed and killed Mrs. Furbush, her 12 year old daughter Madeline, and severely wounded Eloise, a 7-year old daughter. The above diabolical deed is very much regretted by all in our profession, as what one colored man does is attributed to the entire race. Lane was arrested and has been convicted and will pay the death penalty for his crime. We all concur with the verdict, and anxiously await the execution. The above case is offset by the celebrated Rice murder case in New York, in which Jones, millionaire Rice's vallet, conspired with lawyer Patrick to poison his employer. Patrick has also been sentenced to die. Jones, the vallet, turned State's evidence. All of the above are white men. We wish, also, to state that W. H. Lane, while filling the position, was not a butler, but was employed because he was willing to work cheap. He had no previous experience; he had no recommendation, but was employed because he was a cheap man, and a cheap man is always costly and expensive. If Mrs. Furbush had been more particular in selecting a butler she would be alive to-day. Philadelphia has many efficient, honest and trustworthy butlers, and her caterers are always the best, but Mrs. Furbusb wanted a cheap butler. William H. Lane is the son of a New Jersey preacher, and had served a term in Mount Holly penitentiary for larceny, and had also been confined in the Huntingdon, Pa., reformatory. In conclusion, we again assert that Lane was not a butler, but hired to fill the position because he was a cheap man.

T. J. Simon, who has been headwaiter at the Endicott hotel since last August, has resigned. Mr. Simons is one of the best known headwaiters in the South or North. He has been in charge of the following southern hotels: Anniston Inn, Anniston, Ala., Exchange hotel, Montgomery, Ala., and the Caldwell hotel, Birmingham, Ala., the Armstrong, Rome, Ga., the Duvall, Jacksonville, Fla., and others. During the World's Fair Mr. Simon was in charge at the Michigan Club hotel. He has been in charge of a hotel at Atlantic City for several summers. Mr. Simons is also vice president of the H, and S. W. N. B. A. for the State of New York.

From Hot Springs, Virginia.

The new Homestead hotel at Hot Springs, Va, was reopened on March 10. Mr. R. N. Smith, who has held the position of headwaiter at this house for the last seven years, is still at the head with Mr. S. D. Pannell as second waiter and Mr. N. F. Berry secretary. He has a corps of about eighty first class waiters. The United Waiters' Union of Virginia, was recently organized with R. N. Smith as president, Messrs. J. H. Jackson, vice-president, S. D. Pannell, secretary and manager. M. W. Pannell, W. J. Hackett and others have secured the passage of a bill by the State Legislature making them an incorporated body. It is the intention of the incorporaters to organize subordinate unions in every town in the State where there are colored men employed as waiters. All members of the union endorse The Freeman, and will at its next meeting make it their official organ. Mr. F. Berry will be the Hot Spring agent for The Freeman.

The waiters and employes of the Cadillac hotel, Boston, Mass., to show their esteem for their ex-head waiter, Henry Williams, presented him with a handsome umbrella, and with it their regrets at losing him, but satisfaction in knowing that he had secured a more desirable position, with their best wishes for his future success.

Mr. William McThompson, the headwaiter of the Broad street station restaurant, Philadelphia, Pa., and his staff attended the Hotel Brotherhood reception on the evening of the 10th. Mr. McThompson made it a very pleasant evening for his party. He engaged three boxes on that evening, which were occupied by his friends of the Union League, the Gladstone, and Broad street station, which consisted of the following named gentlemen: Wm. McThompson, E. Nickens, Wm. Burrell, James Harris, W. Wilson, A. Sellers, J. A. Robinson, H Thompson, P. Abrams, N. Fortune, D. Howard, Chas. Warfield, M. Johnson and McBee.

The Private Waiter's Social Aid Association of Philadelphia, Pa., organized 1877 gave their 22nd annual full dress reception Thursday evening, April 3. It was a grand success from both a financial and social standpoint. The hall and supper room was beautifully decorated. Not less than 500 people were present. The supper was served by Mr. Gilbert Burnett, caterer, one of the oldest members of the Association and also headwaiter at the "Bertram." Every effort was set forth to make the affair a success which was carried out to the letter "T." This association is a benevolent one and pays $5.00 a week sick dues for eight weeks and $2 afterwards; $50 to wire at the death of husband; $25 for the death of a members wife: has 150 members in all and has 4000 dollars deposited in the banks; 95 financial members. Nathan Burrell was master of ceremonies; James Howard, floor manager; Robert Perry, assistant floor manager. Officers for 1902 are: Bernard H. Morris, president; G. R. Harrison, vice-president; Sam'l E. Cooper, secretary; Wm. Scott, assistant secretary; Richard Edwards, treasurer; John H. Rider, sergeant-at-arms; Anthony B. Lee, marshal; Wm. Robinson, chaplain.

The waiters of Green's hotel will hold their annual reception at the Musical Fund Hall, May 1st. The affair is promised to be the elite of the season.

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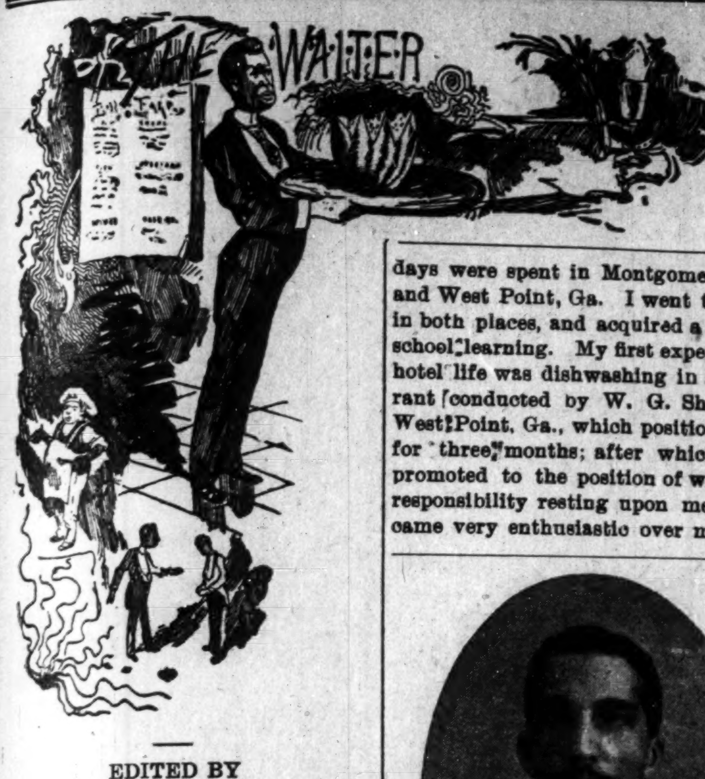

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W. FORREST COZART.

I must admit that The Freeman has been putting forth efforts for some considerable time to interest and influence me in regard to my cut and biography, which now appear in this column. My reason for delay in this particular matter is due to the fact that I have been laboring under the impression that my age would possibly narrow my opportunities in securing a position as a leader if it became known to the hotel fraternity in general, but recently I have given the question deep consideration. I have concluded that a man's birth place does not proclaim him nor is it the oldest man in the business nor the oldest in age that makes one more competent, but it is absolutely the man who possesses the qualities that will allow him to take advantage of his opportunities in any chosen profession, excessively applying his ability, clearly demonstrating himself in any situation. Therefore it affords me no small degree of pleasure to state sincerely that I was born December 20, 1876, in Troup county, Ga., near West Point. My boyhood days were spent in Montgomery, Ala., and West Point, Ga. I went to school in both places, and acquired a common school learning. My first experience in hotel life was dishwashing in a restaurant conducted by W. G. Shaefer of West Point, Ga., which position I held for three months; after which I was promoted to the position of waiter, all responsibility resting upon me. I became very enthusiastic over maintaining everything in perfect order, holding my position with perfect satisfaction for seventeen months. In 1889 I was employed in a similar position at the Clark house of the same city, remaining for eighteen months Then I went to the Virent hotel, same city, as foreman. In 1891 I served as waiter at the old Windsor hotel, Montgomery, Ala. Later in the same year I secured a position as waiter at the Cooper house, Opelika, Ala ; then to Lagrange, Ga., again as foreman. I say "foreman" now, but in those days I was looked upon as the headwaiter. Remaining in that city two years. In that period of time was employed at the Andrews hotel; likewise the Lagrange hotel; in 1895 at the Creole Kitchen, Atlanta, Ga ; in 1896 I was headwaiter at the Arlington hotel, Gainesville, Ga , which position I held for twelve months. After which I returned to Atlanta, being employed as waiter at the Jackson hotel; Riley's hotel, Greenwood, S. C., as foreman; as waiter at the Mansion house, Greenville, S. C.; headwaiter at private boarding house in Atlanta, Ga., known as the Bon Air; as waiter at Hotel Majestic, same city; captain of watch at Hotel Bon Air, Augusta, Ga., for three winter seasons; the season of 1901 being my last. I was captain of watch at the Morris hotel, Birmingham, Ala.; Folsom's European hotel, Atlanta, Ga., eight months, during the fall and spring season. I was headwaiter at the Park hotel, Gainesville, Ga., one season; second waiter and headwaiter at Tate Springs, Tenn., one season; eighteen months at the Hotel Aragon, Atlanta, Ga.; as waiter and captain of the silver watch during the fall and spring seasons; second waiter at the Larkin house, Watch Hill, R. I., in 1900 and 1901. After finishing season at the Bon Air, Augusta, Ga., I was engaged for headwaiter at the Albion hotel, same city, which was just completed, opening up April 22, which position I have held twelve months, giving perfect satisfaction to the management and guests. I became a member of the Head and Second Waiters' Association in 1900, my application being sent in on my own merits from Watch Hill, R. I. With much regret I can sincerely say I was the only man from my State or any State south of Virginia that attended the annual meeting of our noble organization held in Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 23, 24 and 25, 1901. At the convention I was appointed vice-president of the organization for the State of Georgia. I am an admirer of my profession, also the association. I have and will continue to put forth every possible effort that I deem advantageous to the organization. I am one who long to see our conditions bettered. I also state that I have risen to this point in life on my own merits, proving my capabilities when and wherever an opportunity presented itself. Recommendations have not as yet been beneficial to me in securing a position; in fact I have never presented one. I am now writing a book, the second of its nature ever composed by a colored man. It will likely be better known as the "Waiters' Salutary Guide." I sincerely hope it will prove to be a true measure of our profession and that it may meet with the approval of the hotel fraternity in general.

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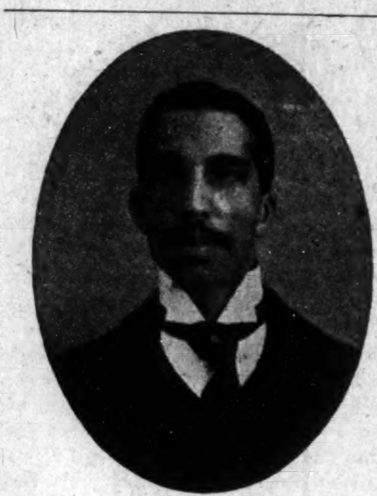
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"He that soweth the wind shall reap the whirl-wind," so says the good book, and it has proven to be true in the case of a certain young ex-headwaiter. The young headwaiter referred to started out, less than a year ago, with a bright future before him. Circumstances, not merit, had placed him headwaiter in one of the best little hotels of the country. The hotel opened up in grand style and everything worked smoothly for a few weeks, and our young headwaiter received many compliments. One day the manager sauntered up to the dining room door, looked in and remarked: "You have some neat, clean and good waiters." "Yes, sir," replied our young friend, seizing the opportunity to outline his policy to the manager, and thereby hoping to win new favors, just like many young and inexperience headwaiters has tried to do many times, our young friend offered the information that he had established a rule not to hire any "dark" waiters. This bit of information startled the manager as he had always considered all colored waiters dark or, in other words, all colored waiters had looked alike to him. But grasping the headwaiter's meaning, he replied, "that is a good idea." It may be well to state right here that our young headwaiter was not a mulatto, but was of a color known among colored people as light brown with "good hair." From a white person's point of view, there is but one color when a colored person is referred to. All they want to know is that you have one-tenth Negro blood in your veins and you are a "nigger" regardless of your "color." But our young friend, like many others of our race, was trying to create a new world for persons of his "peculiar color." Now it happened that the manager gave the "color" question much thought and, as a result, he decided that a crew of mulatto waiters with a mulatto headwaiter would be the proper thing—you know the rest. Our young foolish friend is now looking for a job. "His sins found him out." He lived in a glass house and threw stones. Moral: Be true to your race.

GAD FLY.

From Columbus, Ohio.

The efficient crew of the Chittenden demonstrated their ability, a few days ago, in serving 150 school teachers, who were passing through the city. They served them in twenty-five minutes, and in just forty minutes from the time they started in the dining room was in shape for dinner, and Mr. Frazier was at the door and said take your station Charles Seward of the Chittenden is on the sick list. R. W. Patterson, second waiter of the Neil house, who had an operation performed on him about three weeks ago, is up and around again. Ben Harrison has been filling his place very successfully. Mrs. Morgan has just returned to the city from Poplar Bluff, Mo. She was called there on account of the illness of her mother. Mrs. Morgan makes a very favorable report of the colored people of Poplar Bluff, and says they are up to date in every respect and the majority of them own property. I notice some hot shots flying through the waiters' column, and I am anxiously waiting to see what effect those shots have, for I know they certainly hit some one. Keep it up boys, for that is the way to bring out what is in a man. I certainly agree with the gentleman from Wisconsin, who says an "educated white man will certainly look for a job outside of waiting," and that the average Negro waiter of to-day is far beyond the white waiters in ability and intelligence. The reason we have to follow waiting is because the white man will not give us what belongs to us, and any time I see a college graduate come into a hotel I do not think the less of him. I know that the odds are against him and he comes into a hotel for protection. I have also noticed articles pertaining to waiters being kept out of society. I will say right here it is not a man's position that keeps him out; it is the man himself. We cannot expect to enter the homes of the best families as long as our minds run no higher than wine, women and cards. If we try to elevate ourselves and be men we then can go in the best society. We see that the waiters in Chicago anticipate a great time in August to perfect an organization. There is nothing we need worse than an organization by which we can be able to take care of and support each other in time of sickness and death, for so often do we notice where a waiter dies and a collection is taken up to defray his funeral expenses—so few of us, in time of health and strength, will put away a dollar or connect themselves to any organization for protection. Dalis Clay of the Great Southern has entered the conservatory of music for the purpose of finishing his studies in music. J. B. Stevens of Chicago is at the Neil house. J. B. will be remembered by the boys in Chicago as "Lucky Steve." The legislation is about coming to a close, and the boys are saying "its all over now," but the waiters have no kick coming as this has been an exceptional good season for them. I cannot see why it is that some waiters are so low and unmanly as to fall out with you, and quit speaking because they owe you fifteen or twenty cents for The Freeman, and if you ask them for it you lose their friendship. Such men should not be allowed to work among men. Another thing the colored waiter must quit doing, and that is running to the headwaiter, proprietor or steward with every little thing he sees on his brother waiter. I suppose he thinks he is making himself solid but he is very much mistaken. He may run for a while, but he finely gets the worst of it and is landed in the street, the place he ought to be. A man that will slip around a hotel and tell things that he sees other waiters do, and what he does not see them do, is not worthy of the name waiter, and there is a place waiting for just such uncouth and unmanly men as that, and the sooner they get there the better off the community will be in which they live.

We find so many waiters who never read a race book or journal or anything pertaining to the advancement of the race, but ask them what's a good gig to play or what horse wins and such things that have a tendency to drag down the race, they are the first to give you information. If our colored head waiters would use more judgment in selecting their crews and employ men of intelligence and not hire the whisky bloats and one-horse gambler, the colored waiter problem would not be so hard to solve. If all of our head waiters were like C. R. Johnson, of the Lexington in Chicago, who makes it his business to hire nothing but good, sober and industrious men, they would not have so much trouble with their crews. John Dunkin, of the Southern, is at the Ohio State University studying pharmacy. Mr. Dunkin is part owner of the Peoples' drug store on Mt Vernon avenue.

A. L. HARRIS.

Title Had Passed.

At Beaumont lately the waiter who served former Governor Hogg of Texas was one George, a sable-skinned gentleman of numerous accomplishments. George is a model waiter Each day at dinner George would receive from the Governor his tip, $1. George revelled in wealth. He was the envied of all the other waiters. He was the happy possessor of a "good thing."

The other day when the Governor entered the dining room a strange darky stood behind his chair. "Where's George?" asked the Governor brusquely. The new waiter bowed low. "Ise youh waitah, now, sah," he said, softly. "But where's George?" again asked the Governor Again his new retainer assured him: 'Ise youah waitah now." The Governor looked up from his paper sharply He was somewhat mystified, and with increasing emphasis demanded to know where George was, anyhow.

"Well, you see, sah," began the newcomer with some hesitation, "Gawge and I was out las' night playing craps. Gawge went broke; I won his pile. Then"—here his voice dropped lower and his manner was confidential—' he put you up agin three dollahs and I won So. Ise youah waitah."—Detroit Journal.

The above is a sample of the many damaging items that are going the rounds of hotel and daily papers at the expense of the colored waiters. We clipped the above from the New York Hotel Gazette. Of course the above story is without foundation, absolutely false and absurd. Any hotel man thoroughly understands the same, but the traveling public usually absorbs such myths as facts, and here is where the reputation of the colored waiter is unusually stained; and quite often, too, the social element of our race read these stories and believe all that is said of the waiter, and then proceed to raise the bars of social discrimination against them. We know whereof we speak when we say that the colored waiter, as a whole, is nothing like he is painted; but, to the contrary, the waiter of to-day comes from the best families, is educated and progressive. In conclusion, we will simply say that we court investigation.

On April 3d Atlantic City, America's great summer resort, suffered a loss of nearly one million dollars caused by a fire which swept away an area of three acres, and thus destroyed ten hotels. We are glad to state, however, that the hotels destroyed were not the large ones that has been employing colored waiters. The hotels destroyed were the Luray, New Holland, Stratford, Berkeley, Byrn Mawr, Stickney, Evard, Rio Grande, Mervine Academy, Larlton and Windsor.

The Leland hotel, Chicago, has been closed for thirty days, When it is opened up it will be the Stafford. It now appears as if white waiters will be employed when the Stafford opens up the first of May.

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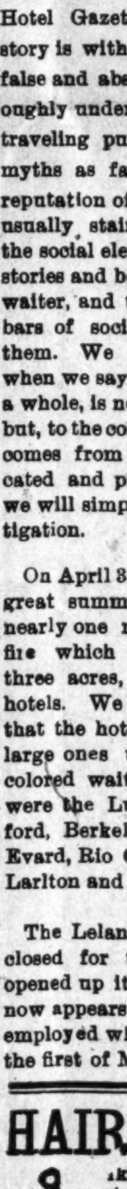

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VIRGINIA'S NEW CONSTITUTION.

The change in the suffrage law comprises two separate features, one that will be in force from the time the constitution is adopted until January 1, 1904, when the second feature will be operative. The first provides for registration as a prerequisite to voting. The qualifications for registering are that a man must have served in the army or navy of the United States or the Confederate States, or be the son of one who has so served, or have paid a State tax to the sum at least of $1 on property owned by him, or be able to read the constitution or understand it when it is read to him. A poll tax of a dollar is also levied on all except ex-soldiers Voters registered under this plan before January 1, 1904, are to remain voters for life. There certainly seems to be nothing unreasonable in this provision. It is not the grandfather's clause, albeit it makes a voter of a man whose father is something, that is, it discriminates against the Negro in this way; but inasmuch as this is only one qualification, and as the other simply provides for the ownership of a very small amount of property or the possession of sufficient intelligence to read or to understand the constitution, certainly there can be no protest, no matter whom it might exclude.

The second plan that comes into use after January 1, 1904, and so becomes the permanent qualification, is that those may register and vote who can read and write their registration applications and who have paid their poll tax for three preceding years This is a light qualification, for it abolishes the standard of intelligence that demands that a man shall understand or be able to read the constitution. Of course this is aimed at excluding a great horde of ignorant Negroes, but as it is a general law and bears on ignorance and not complexion, there can be no protest against it. As a whole, the constitutional convention of Virginia seems to have done its work well. It appears to have modernized the State's fundamental law, and undoubtedly the result will be to bring its affairs into a working order more efficient than has ever characterized it.—Indianapolis News.

If the face of the new Virginia constitution may be taken as a guarantee to the real intentions of its constructors and of those who will be intrusted to carry out its provisions, there will be but very few honest minded, intelligent people who will dissent from the opinion of the News Even at this stage it will not be a difficult task for many older men and most younger men that have been to any extent industrially or educationally industrious to comply with one or more of its provisions. Of course there will be the few unfortunates who will fall on the outside of the breast works, but all movements for the general good carries with them the necessity for some sacrifice of innocency. It has always been so—since the foundation of the earth. The Bible teaches the beautiful, but appalling stories. Moses, the death of the first born, the slaughter of the innocents, the atoning lamb, Jeptha's daughter, are a few of the types of which our present wars are the vaster shadows.

The application of the sacrifice theory to political and sociological problems will be considered farfetched or strained, but the fact remains that modern society attempts to adjust itself along such lines Our late civil war is the best example afforded of society righting itself, after two hundred years of moral obliquity. The cause was great—the atonement was its equal.

The constitution of Virginia is by far the best yet adopted by the recent constitutional conventions. It, on its face, does not deny the import of its creation, but at the same time suggests its necessity. It is growing impression on all men regardless of color, that there should be metes and bounds even to the voting privilege. Men who fail to subscribe to honest, reasonable provisions faithfully executed have no cause for appeal.

Rev. Virgil W. Tevis of Indianapolis, on last Sunday, said:

One of the highest honors that can be conferred by any government is the prerogative of citizenship. It means much. With it goes a voice in the management of affairs and the possibility of the highest honors which can be conferred upon a man by his fellowman. The right of franchise is so sacred that it should be used conscientiously by every good citizen regardless of probable political results. Only by a faithful and honest use of the ballot can a citizen testify to his appreciation of the privileges of citizenship. To stay away from the polls, though your opinion may be in the minority, is cowardly. It is always manly to express your opinions politically, even though your star may not be in the ascendency.

Who will take exceptions to the above? The right to vote carries with it the right to be voted for—to make and unmake the government at will. A citizen thus knowing the value of his suffrage, whether of New York or Indiana, having the peace and interest of the government at heart, will think long and well before he takes a step that will jeopardize the political tranquility of his country.

Furthermore, those who have now the voting privilege in the States where there are no suffrage provisions that are any ways peculiar can better maintain it by using it judiciously under judicious leadership rather than by following the lead of sulking achilles or pouting political captains who feel that their little spheres are the universe. The Negroes of the North have but a very few ways to turn to find political comfort. Individual disappointment is not to be taken as a cue for a general onslaught. The past in the language of Ingersoll rises before us like a dream, and whether we will it or no, there stands our political ascent, and chargeable to whom?

OPPOSES THE FREEMAN'S VIEWS.

Editor Freeman—Being a constant reader of The Freeman, knowing it to be the best colored newspaper I ever read, I wish to say a few words in regard to the trouble at Tuscumbia, Ala., that appeared in an editorial of your paper recently. Where there is an affect there must be a cause, and when there is no cause there is no affect. And we who are in this, the Sunny South, know personally who is to blame for such acts. I am not in sympathy with such disorders, but I believe in justice to all men, and if I or any man of color should fall into such a state, do our best to paddle our way out. I do say that the bravery of the party in question should be commended rather than condemned. The general circumstances that predominates in some sections down here such acts are justifiable, and a few more men with the same ambition will soon be the means of bettering our condition or our extermination in this country I also believe that if the men, "great men" of both races would only do more for the "man behind the pick" by humiliation and trying to remedy the cause by investigation, then they can be more able to ascertain the cause and assimilate the two. It is not a very easy matter to judge the man by his clothes. The same is true of our great men. They judge our condition generally by a few rich ones, and by a few rough characters that they chance to see in all races or identified with the same element. Why not go among the humble as well as the exalted? Pull the head and the tail will follow. The good physician prescribes and administers the physics in order to reach the seat of the disease. These assertions may not be in accord with those of higher rank but they are mine. Such troubles that characterized Mrs. Ida Barnett at Memphis, some years ago. Who can describe the occurrence except herself or one who was present and knew the general condition? I know; I was there. The fourteen years in various places if the South gives me some knowledge of the conditions that lead up to the troubles in question, and if our great men will search for the root they can find some trace for the cause.

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It is not the place of newspapers or any medium that reaches the public eye to countenance lawlessness, no matter how near it approaches heroism. We are all swayed more or less owing to the extenuating circumstances in such affairs, but this private feeling must be publicly stifled. The laws are to be obeyed, either by white men or black men. The lex talionis theory must play no part in governmental notions regardless of what is done in practice. Right is right—two wrongs cannot make one right. The victim was in the hands of the law and not those of a mob. Laud him for such conduct, teach your children such if you will, and then what about the law of retaliation?

We are in for personal bravery, but its the kind that keeps the man free of the toils unless forced there by wiles and snares—free, unaccoutred man, without the trappings of war, unshambled by vice or viciousness with a face turned up to the world as the eagle faces the sun's fiery glare. Had the man died revolting the mob instead of striking down the constabulary he would have been a hero. We do not condemn him harshly, for full well do we all know what such scenes as he centered too often mean. We insist that anarchy is the only term for systematic defiance of authority. Better proclaim war, declare rebellion, than that. The world admires rebels that seek to govern themselves, but not anarchist that break down all authority without offering a substitute.—Editor Freeman.

The American Guide of Little Rock, Ark., is talking Hon. Marcus Hanna to beat the band. It has this piece of intelligence also:

John C New, of Indiana, will control that delegation. Who will control the Arkansas delegation? Not the insurgents, poor Doc and a few others.

A white gentleman of the South recently donated $500 to the Tuskegee school. It is said that it was the largest gift ever made by a Southern man.

THE FREEDMAN'S INQUIRY COMMISSION BILL.

A bill has been introduced in Congress by Mr. Irwin of Kentucky, which is known as "A bill creating a commission to inquire into the condition of the colored people of the United States." The commission will, in event the measure passes, be known as the "Freedmens' Inquiry Commission." The commission board is to be made up of five members, whose duty will be to investigate the condition of the colored people, and especially those of the South.

The bill ought to pass. It is an easier move than that of the resolutions that have been the subject of so much debate in the recent past. It would be reassuring to the colored people to know that they were the subject of attention with the hopes of ameliorting their condition, and this by Congress, and at the same time it would be useful in serving a respectful warning on those who have grown careless of the rights, which would be quite as effective as more drastic methods that are pregnant with racial woe. The force element or idea will be avoided, rendering the party less liable to defeat. Men in their zeal for their rights sometimes rush across the danger line, but politics is politics, and in it men are forced to take half loaves until they can demand whole ones. Is the colored race in a position to demand anything? To the political student of the times the answer is apparent. But men can ever contend for justice and feel no less men because they are overpowered by the laws of might.

Politically the Irwin measure ought to be welcomed as sort of an escapement from a political cul-de-sac which promises relief to all concerned without sacrifice, the thing dreaded—a very fair substitute for the late lamented resolutions.

The commission will have a salutary effect if the bill passes. It may not prove a panacea for all the ills of the race, but it will be held more than doubtful that there will result good that will result further into better feelings and honester attempts by either race to get along together. To be noticed is a sovereign remedy for races as it is for most individuals.

The Southwestern Christian Advocate takes a very sane view of the William Reynolds tragedy of Tuscumbia, Ala. It says:

"If the reports given in this deplorable affair be true, we see no reason why this man should have resisted arrest. Had his offense been against some white man we would take it for granted that he feared lynching and hence felt that he had as well die fighting as otherwise. But we cannot conceive that he was in any danger of bodily harm for stealing, though men are sometimes lynched for that At any rate all such occurrences are to be regretted. We are gratified to note, however, that though Reynolds killed three and wounded seven other whites, no violence was perpetrated upon any other colored citizens of the community by the whites."

The above comment is very much different from much that has been seen It's against established government to laud Reynolds as a hero, even when it is known that Negro life is held so cheaply in some sections. It will be the duty of the newspapers to contend for the supremacy of the laws always and thus avoid teaching a doctrine that is too close to anarchy. The mob and the mobbed should observe the laws.

The name of Geo. L. Davis appears among those of the graduating class of Lincoln University. Mr. Davis is well known in this, his boyhood, home. His many friends will rejoice to know of his success. A testimonial reception has just been given him by the Second Baptist church of Media, Pa., of which he is pastor. This is the way the card reads: "Grand testimonial musicale and reception in honor of our pastor, Rev. Geo. L. Davis, A. B., S. T. B., A. M." That's our George.

Apparently the Y. M. C. A is a go.

News Items.

Springfield, Ill., Special.—On next Sunday May 4, E. L. Rogers will read a paper before the Culture club from the subject, "By their deeds we shall know them." Miss Emie Jackson after a long illness of consumption died last She had many friends who mourn her loss. She was interred last Monday Rev. Saunders preached an excellent sermon last Sunday night. Edward D. Green was in St. Louis last week on business. Call at Henderson's new grocery store on Carpenter street. The people have begun to go to church and return via. ice cream parlors. Mr. Rhienhart has moved into his new residence on North Seventh street. This is one, if not the prettiest and most costly colored residences in the city and ranks close with many of the best. The gentleman is to be praised for his thrift The Culture Club is unquestionably doing a great and commendable work along the line of lifting the young men men and women to higher ideals in life. Every progressive young man and woman who desires to keep informed of the good deeds of our young men and women should read some good colored paper.

News of a General Character.

Steubenville, O., Special.—Rev. C. T. Lewis has returned to the Sixth Street M. E. church for another year. He has just returned from a visit in the South. His congregation have decided to spend $3,000 in improvements on the church. The A. M. E. church will also make improvements. L. S. Murray is doing a thriving tonsorial business at 203 S. Sixth street. Mrs. Daisy Wells and Thomas Christian were united in marriage on the 16th inst., Rev. C. T. Lewis officiating. Scott Wise is head waiter at the Imperial hotel. David Pittman and Walter Gossett are on the sick list. The Phi Gamma Delta Literary society are making rapid progress. C. R. Lewis is its president. Maurice Beaner, of New York City, is visiting relatives here. Rev. J. H. Jones, D. D., president of Wilberforce University, lectured at Quinn Chapel A. M. E. church Monday evening, the 21st inst. The Doctor has been on a month's tour and has raised $2,400 for the university. The Odd Fellows and Household of Ruth will have their annual sermon preached at the Sixth Street M. E. church on May 4th, at 3 p. m., by Rev. C. T. Lewis. The First grand rally for the improvement of the Sixth Street church will be held on the 27th inst. The K. of P. lodge is making extensive preparations for the annual session of the Grand lodge, which meets here the latter part of June.

Pickings in Passing.

Greenfield, Tenn., Special—Greenfield is a beautiful little town with about two thousand inhabitants, healthy location, water works, electric lights and good church facilities. We have the C. M. E. Church, A. M. E. Church and the Missionary Baptist Church. The Missionary Baptists have just erected a nice frame edifice and are moving along fairly well. We have several factories in our town such as the box, stave, chair, heading, spoke, rolling mills, etc. We have several property holders among us and others contemplating on buying. This is a fine fruit section, thereby affording quite a variety of work in the spring. Our school facilities are fairly good, but we truely hope to have them improved. Easter Sunday was nicely observed by the young people of the different churches—at 3 p. m., in the C. M. E. Church and at 7 p. m., in the A. M. E Church. Rev. S. P. Morrow, presiding pastor of the former church was present at both exercises. Rev. Woods of Huntington preached at the Baptist church the first Sunday in April. Rev. B. Dobbins, presiding elder and Rev. R. Vann, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, arrived in town the evening of the 7th and held services that night.

Words of Praise.

Los Angeles, Cal., Special.—Editor The Freeman; Dear Sir: As I am a subscriber to your valued journal, I feel that you will allow me space in your paper for a few words of the heartiest good will for your noble work in defending your race. I find The Freeman to be quite a popular journal throughout the West. I am traveling with the son of Mr. W. A. Clark, United States Senator, and have served in the capacity of private valet to him for five years, during which time I am glad to say I have served successfully. The brother of Mr. W. A. Clark, Jr., also has a private valet in the person of Mr. James Collins, who is giving satisfaction. We receive first-class treatment, and travel extensively. During my stay in Los Angeles I have received the broadest hospitality from your reporter and representative here and must say you have the right man in the right place. He is a Mr. Thomas, formerly of your great town, and I prize his friendship very highly. Inclosed please find $3.00 for the Haynes shaving outfit. Yours for continued success.

A. S. WEBB.

South Bend News.

South Bend, Ind., Special.—Rev. Charles Carter filled Olivet Chapel pulpit last Sunday evening. The Baptist pulpit was filled by their pastor, F. P. Green. Mrs. Anna Barton delightfully entertained the St. P. Ruffin club Wednesday afternoon, April 9, at her home on East Lorrin street. Mrs. Anna Roberts read a paper on the "Revolutionary War," and Miss Grace Powell read a lively club paper, after which a light luncheon was served The Eastern Star reading circle was entertained by Mrs. Lemon Johnson and Mrs Charles Marshall on Tuesday afternoon, April 8th, at the home of Mrs. Marshall, S. Laurel street. Mrs. J. W. Wade read a paper and Mrs. Wm, Manning opened the discussion. An elaborate luncheon was served in courses. The K. T. conclave is over and the Oliver house boys are not sorry. The street parade was the finest that South Bend has witnessed in a long time. Aunt Lucy Johnson is seriously ill at her home on Birdsell street. Mrs Dr Bickman has been on the sick list for two weeks. Any one wishing The Freeman please call on the agent. Mr Wm Manning, 720 W. Monroe street. Marcus Harris has opened up a fine saloon on Colfax avenue for the patronage of his people. He is doing a fine business. Success to Mr Harris

A Prosperous Little Town.

Orlando, Fla., Special.—I wish to announce to the public of the progress of the colored people in this little town. It is a town of about 4,000 or 5,000 inhabitants and about 2,500 of them are colored and they are actively engaged in their own business persuits. Among some whom are mentioned: A. P. Jackson, running a barbershop, is doing good business; J. B. Harris, running a barbershop; Elijah Whitehead, James McDuffie are running a large pool room and restaurant combined; C. P. Whitfield a colored barbershop; W. H. Heren, a large fish stall in the city market; George Raney, a large restaurant and pool room combined; C. H. Daugherty, who recently moved here from Memphis, Tenn., started and completed a stock of groceries in which he is doing a good business; M. H. Johnson has a very fine tailor shop and also J. C. Calyer has a fine tailoring establishment.

Brunswick Items.

Brunswick, Mo., Special.—Branch Bruce of Kansas City, Mo., is spending a few weeks with his parents. Henry Porter has opened up a first class restaurant and invites his friends to call on him. Rev. O. T. Redd has been called as pastor at the First Baptist church. Rev. Nichols has been sent to take charge of the A. M. E. church. Please Hobart, who has been very ill, is improving very fast. The Brunswick public school will close May 2. There will be five graduates.

TO PADUCAH ON THE 28TH.

A Condensed Buch of News Gathered by our Energetic Representative.

Cairo, Ill., Special.—Elder Kelly is conducting a successful revival on Thirty-third street. Gye Davis lost his baby girl Bessie recently. Prof. Webb had bad luck with his excursion to Paducah on the 14th inst., the crowd consisting of only four persons. The Pick-a-boo club meets every Wednesday night. All lovers of a day's outing are requested to go to Paducah on the 28th. It will be the attraction of 1902. Wayne Ross left on the 14th for Chicago where he has secured a position. G. G. Alston, of Beechwood, was in the city on the 13t. E. W. Owens was in town on the 12th. Sam Bedford, of St. Louis, was called here on account of the death of his sister, Minnie Watson. Mrs. Edmonia A. H. Watkins, who has been teaching school in Unity, Ill., has returned here to spend vacation with her mother. Miss Florence George, of Clinton, Ky., is the guest of Miss Mollie Coleman, 2771 Commerce avenue. Charity Hailey would like to know the whereabouts of her relatives. When last heard from they were in Albert county, Georgia. Her brothers' names are Louis and George Dobbs; her mother's sisters' names are Vinna and Sallie Dobbs; her father's brother's name is Jesse Pleasant; her parents' names were John and Eliza Jones; her maiden name was Charity Warren.——The reception given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ruffin, on the 18th inst., in honor of the "Black Patti Troubadours," was a swell affair. As the star of the company was present, a delightful supper was arranged for the occasion. The house was beautifully decorated with evergreens. Soft drinks were served. Those present were: Miss Jennetta Murphy, of Chicago; Mrs. Hayes, of St. Louis; Mrs. B. Grove, of Chicago; Mrs. Brown and Rev. N. Ricks, of this city; Mrs. N. W. Cook, of Indianapolis; W. N. Ricks, of this city; J. Worles, of Chicago; Misses Josie Ruffin, Cassie Phillips, Mary Ruffin, Hattie Freeman, of this city; Mrs. Graves, of Chicago; Miss D. Frost, Messrs. A. Payne, Z. Amos and J. Harris, of this city. Music was the attraction. Mrs. Ruffin was glad to meet her sister, as she is a member of the company.——The Owl and the Fast Mail club members looked swell in their parade last Sunday evening with their badges on. Miss Mary Milner is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. C. H. Mitchell, 528 Fourteenth street. The funeral services of Oliver Hinton was held at St. Michael church on Fourteenth street, instead of St. Mitchel as erroneously stated in last week's issue. Our young men should patronize our colored tailors when ordering their spring suits. O. F. Hewitt, in Eighth street, Gov. Hubbard, in Washington street, are good workmen and merit the patronage of the race. Mrs. Mollie Claybrook has returned home after a visit of two weeks in St. Louis. Herman Hunter is ill at his home in Seventeenth street. Mmes. Charmon and J. Smothers visited Mrs. S. Walker last week. Mrs. Lizzie McFarland, of Third street, is at the bedside of her mother and sister in Fulton. Mrs. Minnie Cherry, of Mound City, was a recent guest of Mrs. M. Arnold, 508 Ninth street. Mr. and Mrs. Lyles, of 508 Douglass street, are the happy parents of a 12-pound girl baby. Miss Emma Johnson is some better after an illness of several months. Mrs. Rosa Newbon, of Jackson, Tenn., has located 317 Twenty-sixth street for permanent residence. Mrs. Henrietta Dunkin, of Metropolis, was in the city on the 13th to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs Minnie Watson. Miss Fannie Wilson made a brief visit to Mound City. Miss Maggie Martin was a recent guest of Mrs. A. Payne, 430 Seventeenth street Mrs. H. Hilliard, 219 Twenty-ninth street, is slowly recovering Richard Taylor serves a splendid lunch at his sample room every Saturday night. The grocery of Charles Smith, Fourteenth and Walnut streets, is up-to-date in every respect. G. Childs and M. Walker desire that you call at their places of business. Albert Haskins would like to know the whereabouts of his brother and sister, Ambrose and Lottie Tishie Haskins. When last heard of they were in Virginia.

BEECHWOOD NOTES.

Mrs. Ella Johnson gave a birthday party at her home on the 15th, in honor of her niece, Miss Savannah Johnson. It was largely attended. Miss Georgia Brassfield has returned. Mrs. Sylvia Bowden is quite ill. Jas. Rushing was called to the bedside of his sister at Tresvent, Tenn. Mrs. Blakemore is on the sick list. Burton Clark runs a first class barber shop and invites your patronage. J. M. Thompson is one of our aldermen. Miss Rutha Allison has returned home after a visit in St. Louis. H. C. Chambliss carries a full line of dry goods and groceries. Rev. Copper was in town this week. Rev. Parish is conducting a revival at the First Baptist church. Services were conducted at the A. M E church by the pastor, Rev. Rice, last Sunday. Rev. C. C. Phillips preached at the First Baptist church last Sunday night. Mr. Hutchinson, of Pulaski, is visiting relatives here. Mrs. Mary Venerble, of Carbondale, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Allison. The Georgia Minstrels made a hit at Odd Fellows' hall on the 18th. The daughter of O. T. Evans is still on the sick list. Wm. Harvey has opened a barber-shop on Front street. If you want to be treated royally, call on M. Chambliss, on Front street. H. B. Bell and N. Johnson conduct a first class grocery and cafe and desire you to call. John Cross runs a billiard hall and barber shop. Drop in sometime.

MOUND CITY NEWS.

The Sunflower Social club held their bi monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Joseph Watts, on the 8th. Resolutions were adopted tendering the thanks of the club to the ladies and gentlemen who so ably contributed to the success of the full dress ball on the 27th ult. F. Linsey is president, and M. Campbell, secretary. The A. M. E. church is having some repairs made which will improve the looks of the building. Mrs. Lizzie Galasby entertains the Young Peoples' club every Thursday night. Mrs. Minnie Cherry has gone to Kankakee to join her husband. B. F. Rucker is suffering from a broken arm. M. Clabon is suffering from a mashed hand. J. H. Stephens is on the sick list The colored graduates this year are Misses Ada Butler, Mamie Irvan and John D. Allen. Charles Smiley conducts a first class cafe and serves meals to order.

Mark Twain's Cousin,

G. C. Clemens, of Topeka, Kan., the noted constitutional lawyer, who bears so striking a resemblance to Mark Twain, (Samuel B. Clemens) that he is frequently taken for the original Mark, is a man of deep intellect and wide experience. He is considered one of the foremost lawyers in this country. In a recent letter to the Dr. Miles Medical Co., Mr. Clemens says:

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SOUTHERN GIFT TO TUSKEGEE.

Son of a Slave Owner Sends $500 to Booker T. Washington.

Tuskegee, Ala, April 13—A prominent and wealthy white man, a native of South Carolina, engaged in business in Birmingham, Ala., has made a contribution of $500 to the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute. This is the largest donation ever received by this institution from a Southern white man. In his letter to Principal Booker T. Washington, the donor says:

"As a Southern man and the son of one of the largest slave owners of the South. I am anxious for the people to do all that can be reasonably expected of them for the education of the negroes thereby making them more content and useful citizens and friends."

Tersely Told Topics.

Shelbyville, Ind., Special.—Wm. Dudley has been appointed a sub-mail carrier, having recently passed the civil service examination. Messrs. James Mathews and Len Johnson, of Edinburg, were visitors here Sunday. William Hines left last Sunday for Cincinnati to accept a position in the Pullman service. Mrs. Stonestreet and son, Madison, Ind., are the guests of Mrs. Orange Dennis. Miss Walker, of Indianapolis, visited Miss Rosa Dent Sunday. Dr. Henry Hummons, of Indianapolis, was in the city Sunday. The dedication of the basement of the Second Baptist church attracted a large crowd. A short program was rendered, after which refreshments were served. Among those who took part in the program were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Birk, Miss Alice Hill, James Hill, of Edinburg, Mrs. Rose Philips and Will Blakeman, of Columbus. Mr. Fielding, of Indianapolis, was the guest of Prof. and Mrs. L. Lewis Sunday. The "Hottest Coon in Dixie" company played to a good house here last week. This is one of the most popular colored shows on the road. Miss Nellie Booth, of Marion, is visiting Mrs. Orange Dennis.

The Freeman in Hot Springs, Ark.

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BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS.—Columbus, O., 24-26; Newark, 28; Zanesville, 29; Cambridge, 30; Wheeling W. Va., May 1-3.

THE ALABAMA WARBLERS (Great McKanlass.) Burke Idaho, April, 21; Gem. 22; Harrison 23; Tekoa Wash. 24; Oaksdale 25; Garfield 26.

RICHARDS & PRINGLE'S FAMOUS GEORGIAS-Rock, Island, Ill., April, 20; Sterling, 22; Freeport 24; Rockford, 25; Elgin, 26.

P. G. LOWERY'S CONCERT BAND (4 Paw Sells Bros.' Circus)—New York City, 12 to 21. Baltimore Md., 28-29; Washington, D. C. 30-1; Hagerstown 2; Cumberland, 3.

THE DIXIE CONCERT CO. (Wm. C. Buckner, Mgr Park River N. D. April, 26; Larimor 28; Lakota.

H. G. Brown, who was with Washburn's Minstrels several seasons and also with Sell's Bros. & Forepaugh's shows writes that he is given lessons on stringed and brass instruments at Topeka, Kas. He sends regards to friends in and out of the profession.

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J. Ed Green, (Bronze) was in the city the first part of the week. The chesterfield looks well after his long sojourn in the southern city of Memphis. He was on the bill with the Black Patti Troubadours that made a pronounced hit here. J. Ed has a bunch of new hits up his sleeve and it is rumored that he may take charge of the stage for Messrs. Voelckel and Nolan next season

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Notes from A. G. Allen's New Orleans Minstrels:—Our manager Mr. Quine has just returned from Atlanta, Ga., where he spent some time attending to business. We have a few more stands in Georgia. The boys are preparing for a big time in Birmingham, Ala., Tuesday. Prof. G. B. Brooks is looking for some more new music for his band. The members are F. Hansett, H. McDade, Wm. Grant, G. Pittman, Wm. Garland W. Butler, F. T. Viccas, Prof. G. B. Brooks, B. Bennett, J. T. Cox and C. Rue. Regards to all.

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The custom of adopting stage names seems to be less commonly followed now than it used to be. A writer in the Brooklyn Times points out that in the olden days not one in a hundred performers appeared before the public in his own name. Of the three "Billys" of minstrelsy whose deaths were recorded recently "Billy" Emerson, "Billy" Rice and "Billy" West, Emerson's name was William Redmond; Rice's William Pearl and West's John Murphy.

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Notes from L. E. Gideon's Big Minstrel Carnival. After 16 weeks in Iowa we enter Minnesota at Austin. Business in Iowa was fine. We played a return date at Perry Ia., to S. R. O., the receipts being, $280 00 and opera house managers are begging Mr. Gideon for return dates. The boys have organized a baseball team, with Dan Desdunes, manager. Eli Rice and Ed. Anderson the Kansas Cyclones, have put on a new act and it is a winner. They leave them screaming nightly and send regards to Williams & Walker and Henry Powers. L. E. Gideon made a flying trip to Des-Moines. While there he witnessed the Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels J. T. Cullen, manager and pronounced it a good show. He joined us at Wells. LaShe sends regards to J. A. Watts.

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Harvey Goodall of the Wangdoodle Comedy Four, Bobby Kemp, Julius Glenn and Henry Powers send regards to Mr. and Mrs Kersands, Webb Williams, Harry Fidler and Ed Hood. We are in Boston this week with Brooklyn, New York City, Philadelphia and Brooklyn return date to follow with the Jolly Grass Widow Co., afterwhich the season expires. We have signed for the coming season with the same company.

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Philadelphia, Pa., notes:—Bob Cole spent several days in the city last week, staging three numbers in the "My Antionette" which was playinng at the Walnut Theatre,—Mr. Jas. Goodall, proprietor of the Goodall's "Coontown 400" expects to add some new feature to his company soon. The company will play at the Auditorium one week commencing May 5, with the popular comedians Smart and Williams as headliners.

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Boston has had its share in the vaudeville this week. It is considered by the press to be the best bill of the season At Keith's Theatre, Ernest Hogan the Unbleached American is the headliher which has increased the attendance at each performance. The Wilson family were at the Palace and divided honors with Hermann at the Grand and Kellar at the Boston. The Merredith Sisters are scoring a success at the Music Hall. At the Lyceum the Wangdoodle Comedy Four with the Jolly Grass Widows are the hit of the show. All the above artist on Tuesday April. 15 spent an enjoyable evening at the residence of W. C. Craine.

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Notes from the Mascotte Theatre, Tamps, Fla:—This beautiful little summer resort is situated on the corner of Polk and Pierce streets. Its fame for a meritorious and varied programme, as well as for its unique interior grandeur, prompt service, polite attaches, and uniformly good treatment accorded to all has been sounded by the delighted audiences wherever dispersed through the East, North and West. This gratifying result is due to the business insight and extensive and thorough experience of the Prop. R. S. Donaldson and the affable and genial manager, Tom Logan. The auditorium or theatrical section has been newly renovated, painted and decorated and by the addition of several boxes, loges and scores of potted plants and natural flowers and presents a view delightfully charming and picturesque. New scenery has also been added.

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Notes from the Famous Georgia Minstrels:—We are in our third week since our vacation playing to as good a business as can be looked for. The show is as usual making its mysterious hits leaving the public well pleased. We will change our show from beginning to end and can not say how well it will take but we will make it take before we are through with it. A genuine troupe of Arabs joined us in Rock Island on the 20th. The Alabama Quartette puts on a new act this season. It was originated by the little genius, Kid Langford who is making a tremendous hit nightly singing, "If Money Talks It Ain't on Speaking Terms With Me. John E. Sherman still gets his share of the applause. He sends regards to Thomas F. Edwards and wants him to write. All the company wish to hear from Edwards and want him to come back and head the base ball club. We played Kid Langfords home Des Moines on the 12th inst., to a tremendous hit. The audience seemed to want Mr. Langford to give the whole show. The entire company was surprised at Mr. Langford's reception and ovation in Des-Moines and we are watching him daily yet to see him order a new hat. He certainly was treated royally by the ofays as well as others. But we must not overlook the reception of Oscar Cameron at his home in Sparta, Wis., where his schoolmates, all ofays seemingly lost their heads and hugged and kissed him wherever they met him. Both of these gentlemen send regards to Mr. Chas. A. Hughes and want him to write, it matters not if he is in the old country. Dick Wilson, baritone sends regards to the Douglass Club and wants Jack Mitchell and Al Johns to write him per Freeman. Wm. Shields sends regards to LaShe and Tom Logan, Dick Thomas and all the No. 1., company. Geo. A. Swan sends regards to Robert Leach and Simpson & Pittman.

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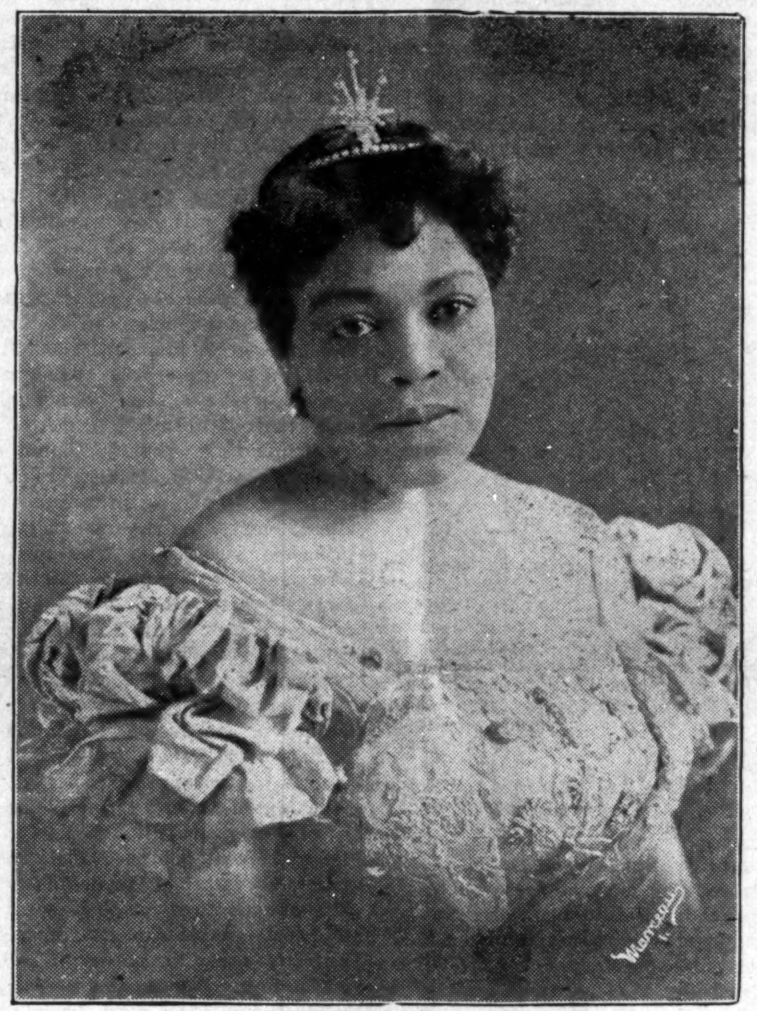
Black Patti Troubadours.

Voelckel and Nolan have in Mme. Sissieretta Jones and those surrounding her one of the strongest organizations on tour, particularly on the vaudeville line. The Troubadours gave merritorious performances at the Park the first half of this week and while the company is not so large and pretentious as others of like nature, its twenty and an odd number of members produce a program as varied and as entertaining. Particular attention should be given the ensemble number before the final curtain. It is called the "Operatic Kaleidoscope" and in it, Mme. Jones and the greater number of her assistants appear to musical advantage, singing selections from various serious and light operas with which habitues of the theatre are familiar. The Troubadour chorus is well trained. But, perhaps the most effective selection in this ensemble number is during the finale when a quintette and the chorus carry one to the third act of "Martha." The major portion of the humor of the Troubadour show is on the shoulders of John Rucker Leslie Triplet and Emma Thompson. Rucker as "Bo-bo" and Triplet as "Ho-Ho" Filipino misfits are positively funny. But Rucker is funnier in a monologue stunt later in the program. It seemed that the audience could not let him go. In her rendition of coon songs, Emma Thompson was compelled to respond to applause four and five times. She is an excellent coon song shouter in the same school from which we get our May Irwins and Elizabeth Murrays. There are two hard and soft shoe women dancers with the Troubadours that do clever work and Mack Allen has the most unique feature of any one in the show. His feats of equilibrium on the slack wire are quite a novelty and take him out of the ranks of the ordinary. Mack Allen is a card within himself. In her solo work Mme. Jones is no less pleasing than she has been for years and sings with an ease and grace that is a marked characteristic. The Troubadour quartette together with Al. Watts and wife help make up a creditable program.

I. MCCORKER.



BLACK PATTI (Mme. Sissieretta Jones.)

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"Hottest Coon in Dixie."

The above named company stopped off in Indianapolis one day last week, enroute to Logansport. Manager Phil Miller, Bob Kelley, Hodges and Launchmere, the Freeman Sisters, Walt Dickson, Norris Smith and Mattie Evans were among the members of the company whose names a Freeman representative caught. The company is stronger this year than ever before and is "making good" everywhere. Norris Smith is featuring Will Accooe's "My Samoan Beauty," with the Dixie show and is making a tremendous hit. Cincinnati papers are loudest in proclaiming Mr. Smith an effective and pleasing singer.

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J. Harry Jackson sends the following from New York City.—The big carnival under the auspices of the Douglass Club on the evening of April, 11, at the Murray Hill Lyceum was attended by an audience that partly filled the large auditorium. The several vaudeville numbers given were of much merit and were roundly applauded, while the band concert given by P. G. Lowery's band proved the musical treat of the season. The entertainment was opened by a song by the well known club vocalist, James Hunt, who was followed by Brandow and Arlington in a clever sketch, the acrobatic stunts and funny falls of Brandow creating much laughter and applause. They were followed by Kid Wilson, the singing and dancing comedian; the Crosby's were next in a hot dancing act that caught on in great shape, afterwhich Harry Brown, "the coon just off the griddle" appeared and rendered, "I Ain't Got More Than I really Need," to the satisfaction of the audience Bailey and Fletcher, singing and dancing comedians proved to be one of the very best things of the evening in their rapid fire-like work. Irving Jones, the clever comedian sang his latest composition entitled "Home Ain't Nothing Like This," which kept the audience in fine humor. For an encore he sang, "You May Be Warm but There are Other Brands." The last number on the vaudeville program was a surprise and it was the hit of the evening. Tom Brown, the clever mimic and S. H. Dudley, the well known comedian joined hands for this occasion and kept the audience in a continuous uproar. The musical program rendered by P. G. Lowery's band was excellent. Each number was responded to generously. The cornet solos of P. G. Lowery clearly proved to the audience that he is master of the instrument. The band was composed of the following talented musicians: J. J. Smith, Thomas May, Wilfred H. Day, Geo. P. Hambright, Mr. Sweetnam, Henry Rawles, John P. Jones, James B. Hall, James Morton, Fred W. Simpson, Wm. May, Sam'l. Elliott and Chas. Foster. After the band concert, the hall was cleared and dancing followed until the hour of five.—Billy McClain arrived in the city week before last. Tom Brown appeared at Rochester, N. Y., last week.—Ernest Hogan is in Boston this week. The jubilee cake walk given by Wm. (Pickanniny) Hill, Monday evening, 13, was a grand success.—The many friends of Bob Russell are more than pleased to hear of his successful opening at the Mascotte Theatre, Tampa, Fla., last week. All send special regards to him and Tom Logan.—Lonnie and Reine Crosby were the winners of the prize in the special cake walk at the Douglass Club reception at Murray Hill Lyceum on the 11th.—Frank Clermont, clarionettist, last season a valuable member of Lacy's band and orchestra with the Big Minstrel Festival is in the city spending his vacation. His address is 527 W. 32nd street and sends regards to friends. Bob. Cole, the clever comedian is still appearing in his inimitable tramp act, at the New York Winter Garden. He was assisted by the famous Douglass Club Comedy Four-Messrs. Chas. H. White. Frank B. Williams, Joe Williams and G. A. Hammonds —Copes and Clark in a sketch of much merit, were big favorites in Hoboken, N. J., last week.—Joe an Amy Moxley are the team on the vaudeville bill at Coney Island this season.—Yeager and Yeager appeared at the Howard, Boston, this week. Uncle Tom's Cabin was produced in Yiddish again Saturday 19, at the Peoples' Theatre. S. H. Dudley was in charge of the colored contingent.—Margaret Scott also the Meredith Sisters were on the bill last week at Hyde and Behman's, Brooklyn–all making good. Ernest Hogan was a headliner at the Orpheum Theatre, Brooklyn, last week. Amon the many colored acts that appeared on the different vaudeville bills Sunday night, April 12, were: New York Theatre–Yutakamee, Ernest Hogan and Bob Cole; New York Winter Garden–Shephard N. Edmonds, Billy Johnson and the Eureka Trio; Dewey Theatre–Larkins and Patterson; Third Avenue Theatre–Jones, Grant and Jones and Ernest Hogan; Atlantic Garden–Yeager and Yeager; Clarendon Music Hall–Day and Ormes.—James Towell and his farce comedy company appeared at Perth Amboy, N. J., last week.—Miss Sallie Lee, soubrette, is in the city. She goes with the P. G. Lowery Vaudeville company, this season.—Grant and Grant were at Hertig and Seamon's Music Hall last week. Jno. J. Nolan one of the managers and proprietors of the Black Patti show was in the city several days last week on business concerning the booking of the show for the coming season. Mr. Nolan states that the company has met with great success this season and that the show is running smoothly. The company, on June 16, will have finished a season of forty-six weeks and will return to New York where they will lay off and rehearse four weeks and then open the season again, for which they are booked already for 48 weeks in the principle cities of the United States and Canada.

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To the Profession.

Ladies and gentlemen: I find it necessary to explain my position as a writer on The Freeman.

I write under signature as a special "Musical and Dramatic Critic." This is plain and already understood to the intelligent people. My efforts are for the best interests of performers and productions. My standard is "Justice to all" and "partiality to none." I insult nobody and pay no attention to ignorance. The most deserving performers must be better presented in these columns hereafter and the ignorant outsiders who write disparagingly about stage people will find in me a solemn waterloo.

SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

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Miss Lillian Garay, soubrette; Al. F. Watts, stage manager; May Lange, coon songstress; John Rucker (Alabama Blossom and J. P. Reed, basso, of the Black Patti Troubadours were pleasant Freeman callers this week.

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SONGS AND SINGERS.

Mayme Taylor with Irving Brooks in her sketch, "The Plumber" is introducing Fay and Oliver's "Somewhere, Someday," and Frederick Chapin's "When I Recall the Long Ago."

When an artist of the Dorothy Morton calibre takes up, "June My June" the composer, Collin Davis can be congratulated; this also speeks volumes for the composition.

Jos. Howard the well known artist and composer states that Lamb & Bratton's "We've Been Living in a Fool's Paradise" is a strong vehicle; he will use it in a sketch with the "Royal's" at the New York Theatre.

The two last numbers introduced in Pixley & Luder's "King Dodo" have taken Boston by storm, and it will not be long before the two songs referred to, ("Diana" and "The Lad Who Leads") will be heard on Broadway.

Kennett & Udall's "Stay in your own Back Yard," and Miller and Maxwell's "Nobody ever Brings Presents to Me," are being used with sterioptican views in the Marks Bros. Dramatic Co. No. 1.

Mlle. Van Schaack, the popular song illustrator, sings Norton & Casey's "Sing Me a Song of the South," with much feeling. She says its her favorite song and always reaches her audience.

"I Can't Forget I Love You, Eloise," is being sung nightly by Jos. B. Maxwell and company with great success. Norton and Casey have a winner in this song as it is not only popular with artists but also with audiences.

The advent of artists such as the sterling actor George C. Boniface Jr. and the well known comic opera singer, Bertha Walzinger, indeed mark another epoch in the vaudeville world. They are introduced in a cleverly wrought one act affair; "The Woman who Hesitates is Won" and the musical number wherein Miss Walzingers' vocal powers are displayed is W. T. Francis' "In the Springtime." One of her responses to numerous encores is generally Ford and Bratton's "Sunflower Sue."

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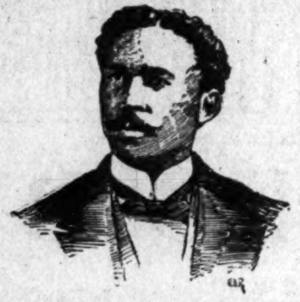
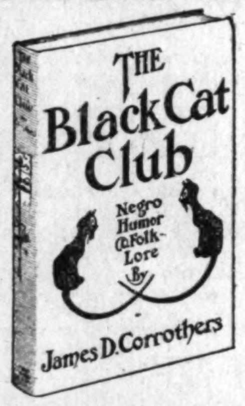


REV. JAMES D CARROTHERS.

The volume is quite different from anything ever put out by a colored man. It is genuinely humorous. The author has had a great range of observation in order to throw together so much of the old beliefs and illusions of the race, and all in a clear manner. The club was founded on the pretended belief in the old Negro superstitions regarding the black cat, which it was disastrous and calamitous to meet. The rabbit's foot, the silver spoon and those other requisites are called in at the proper time by the members. The writer has shown great ability in selecting out those peculiarly amusing bits of Negro language that is inimitable. The volume will be appreciated by all. It is a contribution to our present literature. It is published by Funk & Wagnalls Co., 30 Lafayette Place, New York City. Price $1,00.



Ainslee's Magazine contains an article of startling importance, "Divorce and the Family," by Rev. Percy Stickney Grant one of the most influential Episcopal clergymen in New York. This study of the most intimate and grave problem of American society is remarkably frank. "Along the Mississippi," by John Swain, is a very attractively written description of the ways of the river and the people that live on it and besides it from Elk Lake to the harbor of New Orleans. The illustrations from photographs have great variety and interest. "Indian Children at School." by Anne O'Hagan, is another well illustrated article that should have particular interest for woman readers. "A penny Saved Is a Penny Got," by John Gilmer Speed, is a very readable account of the savings banks of the United States, showing their enormous importance in the financial weight of the country. "The Brass Band," by Harvey Sutherland, is a picturesque and humorous study of that most individual of American institutions in which over one million people are personally interested.

The stories in Ainslee's for April show much variety and force. "Friends at San Rosario," by Oliver Henry, is a splendid piece of workmanship. "Sweet Bones." by Dabney Marshall, is a very pleasing story of a coon marriage in the South. "The Wife of Captain Burke," by William McLeod Raine, is a good romantic tale, fully as interesting as the "The Fortunes of Lal Faversham," which come to a close this issue. "The Espiritu Santo Trail," by will Levington Comfort, is a strong story of a pack train in the Philippines. "Topics of the Theatre," usual, round off the number with a good collection of stage pictures. As a whole, Ainslee's has a character all its own, and a very interesting one.

"What Women Like in Men," "Wht Men Like in Women," and "Husbands and Wives," are the titles of a series of very interesting papers by Rafford Pike, the third of which appears in The Cosmopolititan for April. The same number of The Cosmopolitan treats of Prince Henry's visit, with a series of beautifully printed photographs. under the title of "A Clever Emperor and a Confederation of Nations." F. Hopkinson Smith, Isreal Zangwill, Bret Harte Maarten Maartens are among the other contributors to this number, which is unusually good in fiction.

The most incisive and most keenly analytical sketches of public men which have been prepared during the past two years have been those of William Allen White. The humorous little episode between Mr. White and M. Thomas C. Piatt is still fresh in the public memory. Mr. White's sketch for March appears in The Cosmopolitan an is on the late President Harrison. It will be read with wide interest by both the opponents and friends of that statesman.

About the Millionaire.

Philadelphia, Pa, Special.—There is considerable gossip and comment throughout our city, regarding the will of the late Col. John McKee, the colored millionaire who died a fortnight ago at his residence, 1030 Lombard street, this city. His secretary, Mr. Barr estimates his wealth at $4,000,000, but this is contradicted from other sources. However of this vast fortune he bequeaths the entire amount to the Catholic Church for the purpose of founding a college, and names Archbishop Ryan as one of the executors of the will. The college that is to be erected he desires it to be named the McKee College. Only small annuities were bequeathed to the members of the family who are: One daughter, Mrs. Sypax $300 annuity. One son-in-law and six grand sons who receive still smaller annuities. Archbishop Ryan who were apointed as one of the executors of the will, did not even know the man McKee. Mr. T. J. Minton, his son-in-law, and an attorney is the acting attorney for the other members of the McKee family, and is taking active steps to contest the will, he is a member of the Philadelphia bar. It has been clearly demonstrated by those who have been on most intimate terms with Col. McKee that he is and has been for a great many years a member of the Presbyterian Church, and that he has never had any connection with the Catholic Church. It puzzles both white and colored why he should cut off his relatives and bequeath his fortune to a church with which he has never affiliated. There is much discussion and the members of the family are preparing for a strong fight.

News Items.

Shelbyville, Ind., Special.—Mrs. Sue Miles went to Rushville last week to attend the funeral of her sister. Hartie Watts has returned from Martinsville to make this his permanent residence. Samuel Bird and wife of Norristown, were visiting friends here last week. Mrs. Rollins has returned to North Vernon to live. Alfred Vaughn of Greensburg, Ky., will return here to reside. Mr. Wallace and family moved their household goods here last week from Kentucky. Alfred Penick, who has been an attendant at the hospital left Thursday for St. Louis. The Young Men's Reform Society, convened last Sunday the 13th in the Second Baptist Church, and is becoming very interesting. William Hines left this week for Cincinnati, his name has been entered on the extra list of the Pullman car company.

Newsy Nuggets.

Columbus, Ga. Special,—One of the most disastrous fires that was ever witnessed in Columbus. occurred Thursday April 10. The Columbus, Iron Works Plant which employed about 200 colored men; Friedlander's bagging factory which employed a large number of colored men and women and a block of residences on Front street was destroyed, Ed Norman being killed by the falling walls of the plant on Short st. The coroner of this city was called on Monday night to hold inquest over the body of Mrs. Geo. Ried. According to information obtained she was killed by her husband who escaped. There seems to be more sympathy felt for the husband than the wife as there was another man at the bottom of it all. The city was filled with Methodist preachers last week attending the district conference at Mealer Hill, A. M. E. church. Bishop Turner spent Sunday in the city. Rev. Stinson of Atlanta, gave a very interesting talk on educational matters at St. Johns A. M. E. church, Sunday evening, Dr. E. B. Terry will locate at Cuthbert Ga., so we are told. Rev. S. B. Huguley, says time can't fly too fast for him from now until June. Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Ella Belle Luke to Mr. Geo. Lee Hicks which will take place April 24 Miss Luke is the young daughter of Mr and Mrs. W. H. Luke on 2nd. Ave. and a favorite in society. Mr. Hicks is a young man of fine qualities and holds a responsible position at the Phoenix Club. Call at the Queen City Drug store for "The Freeman" with the latest news.

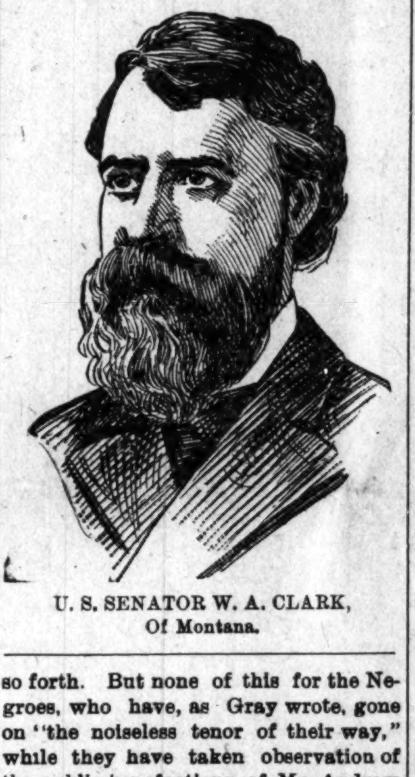
SENATOR W. A. CLARK

TRULY A BENEFACTOR OF THE NEGRO RACE.

W. A. Clark, Jr., has Inherited the Noble Traits of Character from his Father—Food for Thought.

Everybody has heard of the great generosity and the positive usefulness of United States Senator W. A. Clark, of Butte, Mont. Senator Clark has wrought good for both his state and the nation, and is numbered as one in the galaxy of magnificent minds that have materially contributed to the promotion of the interests of a progressive country. As we have it, it is what a man does for all conditions and classes of humanity that makes for the formation of an ideal character, or the undoing of a reputation, as the case may be, and The Freeman draws on its inspiration to write of the Clarks for what they have done for a people strenuously working their way to a permanent and respectable residence in a cosmopolitan citizenship

It has been the stock in trade of the anarchistic element of our citizenship—those of the alien peoples who are not prone to a sense of reason that "falleth as the gentle rain from Heaven"—to stigmatize our wealth producers, those who have labored incessantly that they might promote our commercial interests and support the government without asking loans of other nations as they ask of us, as "vampires," "octopuses," "empire builders," "imperialists" and so forth. But none of this for the Negroes, who have, as Gray wrote, gone on "the noiseless tenor of their way," while they have taken observation of the public benefactions of Mr. Andrew Carnegie, the charitable dispensations of Mr. John D. Rockefeller, the generous beneficence of Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan and the broad humanitarianism of Mr. Cecil Rhodes, deceased. Who shall say that these gentlemen have wrought aught else except for the good, the sublimest in the nature of all mankind?



U. S. SENATOR W. A. CLARK,
Of Montana.

Persons who, by virtue of their several offices, are oftenest in the public eye are naturally given loudest acclaim and most prolonged applause for their many good deeds; but there are those in the more modest walks of life who go humbly along doing good for others and without thought that anyone shall volunteer to sound their praises, and in this connection The Freeman, as a watchful and faithful friend of the race, and as a medium through which the good deeds of the race's friends can be the most widely circulated, voluntarily seeks to set before its clientage the kindness of heart of Mr. W. A. Clark, Jr., son of United States Senator W. A. Clark, of Montana.

Hereditary traits of character are imperishable and those descended from sire to son, in the case of Mr. W. A. Clark, Jr., are at once reflexible. Invariably an inscription of eulogy of a man is written on his tombstone after he has passed to sublunary surcease, and is called an epitaph. Many are there deserving of praise for their good deeds that seldom get it that it might give them longer life and inspire them to greater and nobler services. We seldom build monuments to the worthy living, but more frequently write inscriptions of eulogy or shed tears in epitaphs and place them at the heads of the worthy dead.

For this reason The Freeman keeps a vigilant eye for those who befriend not only the Negro, but mankind generally. We have taken cognizance of the employment given Negroes by Mr. W. A. Clark, Jr., and are compelled to particularize his action in the selection of his attendants. At home and abroad his constant and trustworthy attendants are Negroes and his valets receive from $75 to $125 a month, sleep and eat in the best hotels and travel on commodious cars with the most luxurious apartments. By no one, excepting, perhaps, the nobility of England, do the body servants receive as cordial and as respectful attention as that given the valets of the younger Mr. Clark. While he may not be a Southerner to the manner born, like him Mr. Clark believes in finding employment for the hands, whether they be black or white, and if they do the work assigned them and do it satisfactorily, they need have no apprehension of the outcome nor of the income resulting from it.

Mr. W. A. Clark, Jr., is a man in all that that term implies and this trait of manliness "runs in the family." As in this instance of Mr. Clark and his colored attendants, among whom is Private Valet A. S. Webb, there is likewise Mr. C. W. Clark and his body servants, among whom is Private Valet James Collins.

And The Freeman Takes positive pleasure in giving this space to two of the benefactors of a struggling, but hopeful people.

IN OLD KENTUCKY!

THE ROOSEVELT CLUB, OF CAIRO, EXPECTED NEXT MONDAY.

Crape upon the Doors of Many Paducah Homes—The Social Whirl—General and Personal News.

Paducah, Ky., Special.—Melville W. Sales, Jr., who has been attending Howard University, Washington, D. C., is in the city for a few days with his parents and friends before returning to the Pullman service. His run is between New York and San Francisco during vacation. Next fall Mr. Sales will reture to the University to complete his pharmaceutical course. Mrs. Mattie Montgomery entertained a number of her friends at her home in W. Tennessee street, on the 9th.——You can't always tell a man's occupation by the expression upon his countenance. For example take Jake Young, of Cairo, during his recent visit here he called upon Prof. Frank Jones, at his place of business on Broadway. The professor sized him up as a preacher, and straightway entered upon the details of the revival now in progress, and you should have heard that theological conversation Neither of them have been to church since they were boys. When the professor found out who Mr. Young really was, he said the treats were on him and requested all present to follow him Mrs. Fanny Trimble was visiting in Princeton last week. The sick list: Mrs. Mary Devine, on N. Ninth; Mrs. Anna Townsend, N. Eight; Mrs. Rebecca Rogers; Mrs. Doby, S. Twelfth; little Willie Martin, Worten addition; Willie Bingham, S. Eighth; Maggie Holt and Mrs. Georgia Kelton, Clay street. Mrs. Connie Givens has a 14-pound baby. B. Hatch, of Plunket street, will soon open a restaurant near Eighth and Washington streets. Miss Nellie Porter of Metropolis, Ill., is visiting Mrs. Maggie Boyd. Mrs. Isabel Thomas visited her father in Mayfield last week. Mrs. Maggie Boyd made a recent visit to friends in Metropolis. Mrs. Mary Bush was taken ill on the 8th and died on the 13th. Her remains were shipped to Jackson, Tenn., for burial. Miss Rubie Robinson was married recently. The funeral of Mrs. V. Proctor took place from Burk's Chapel on the 13th, Rev. S. R. Reid officiating. The deceased was prominent in many organizations and was a true christian lady. Prof. Ed. Overby, formerly of Paducah, but now of Cairo, Ill., will bring the Owl and Whist clubs of Cairo, on the 28th inst. Prof. Overby never does things by halves, so if you wish to be royally entertained, go to Odd Fellows' hall on the 28th. Miss Minnie Collins entertained a number of friends at her home on Harris street, on the 8th. The parlors were handsomely decorated and a delicious luncheon was served. A fresh line of groceries and meats always on hand at J. W. Moore's grocery, Seventh and Adams streets; free delivery. The White Rose orchestra of Cairo, gave a swell reception at Odd Fellows' hall on the 8th. They were accompanied by the Golden Leaf club, and all were the guests of Prof. Hillman's orchestra. Geo. Grundy, of Court street, is able to be up. E. C. Price, owner of the Coonville company, is able to be out and will soon have his company ready for the road. Mrs. Cassie Pultiam was in Metropolis recently. Alonzo Ashford left recently for Brushes' mines. The death list for the week ending April 12: Leslie Hayden, age 1 year; Jas. T. Titsworth, age 9 months; Roxy Stubblefield, age 11 months; Robert E. Lee, age 18 years. Mr. Lee was a promising youth, a graduate of the high school, and possessed many qualities seldom found in young men. He was an esteemed member of Burk's Chapel A. M. E. church, and was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee in S Seventh street. The deceased left a beautiful testimony hehind.——Mrs. Thomas Fitzgerald entertained a number of friends at her home in Tennessee street, on the 8th, in honor of Mr. Jake Young, Cairo's popular undetaker. Charles Leverta attended the funeral of his niece, Mrs. Mary Anderson, at Mayfield, on the 13th. E. H. Potter, a skilled blacksmith on Third street, has invented a filter which will strain 800 gallons of water per hour. Mr. Potter was called to St. Louis, where he put several in operation. He has sold three in this city. The remains of Mrs. Mary Anderson, who died in St. Louis on the 10th, passed through the city on the 11th enroute to Mayfield, her former home, accompanied by relatives. The funeral took place on the 13th. Mrs. V. Proctor, of S. Seventh street, is now in Nashville, Tenn., where she underwent an operation.——Prof. Ed. Overby and his orchestra of twelve pieces, accompanied by the Owl and Whist clubs, will be guests of the McKinley, Hanna, Douglass and Jolly Five clubs, of this city, on the 28th. A nice time is guaranteed all who attend.

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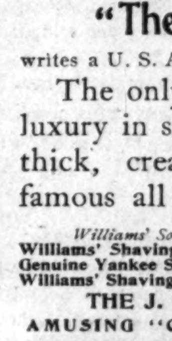

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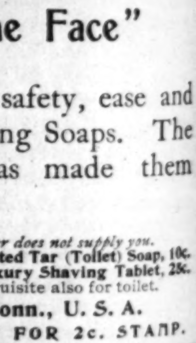

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By the terms of the will of John McKee of Philadelphia, Pa , said to have been the wealthiest Negro in the country, who died a few days ago, Archbishop Ryan, of the archdiocese of Philadelphia, will come into the possession, as the trustee, of an estate valued at upward of $2,000,090. The will specified that the estate shall be used for two purposes—first, to build a Catholic church, rectory and convent in McKee City, N. J., and, second, to build and maintain a charitable institution in Philadelphia for the education of both white and colored male orphans, to be known as "McKee College." The education of the beneficiaries of the will is to conform as nearly as possible to that given at the naval academy. The executors are directed to negotiate with the Secretary of the Navy for the use of a battleship or cruiser on which advanced pupils may be given their final training. Colonel McKee was buried from the Presbyterian church, of which he was a member up to the time of his death. The will was read after the funeral and caused astonishment. Its terms provided that the burial be a Catholic one, and directions were given regarding the services, the coffin, the number of carriages, etc.

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The proudest passenger to walk down the gangplank of the Deutschland when she made her dock was Herbert Cummings of New York, a young mulatto, who was sent over on the same steamer by a local florist to decorate the cabin of Prince Henry on his return voyage from this country. The lad was detailed to attend to the floral decorations on board Emperor William's yacht Hohenzollern while she was in port, and the prince liked him so well that he asked that he be sent to Bremen when he sailed on the Deutschland. At the end of the voyage Prince Henry presented him with a handsome gold watch and chain and gave him an autograph letter of recommendation.

Millionaires are so plentiful these days that unless his worth mounts up into several millions he is scarcely deemed worthy of mention among the men of wealth. With the Negro millianaire, however, the case is quite different for several reasons, and the death of Colonel McKee, the colored Philadelphia millionaire, who died this week, justifies comment within and beyond race circles, considered he was born a slave and made his money with his own brain.

The annual address at A. & M. College, Normal, College, Ala., will be delivered by Bishop Turner, the Industrial address by Dr. R. H. Boyd, and the commencement sermon by Dr. E. C. Morris

We are informed by one of our agents who is a citizen of Lovejoy, Ill., that that place is strictly a colored town—being wholly governed by Negroes. The town is flourishing and the inhabitants are prosperous and happy.

The young woman in charge of the scientific cooking conducted in connection with our exhibit at the Charleston Exposition has written Mrs. Washington a most interesting letter as to the praise which is being accorded the department by all who visit the Negro Building. She writes especially of one Southern man who visited the buildinr and had a meal there who said that "food tastes so much better when you have on your table a white table-cloth, napkins, pretty flowers and pretty dishes to adorn it." This is the lesson taught all of our girls at Tuskegee: that they must know the latest and best methods of serving food and that nothing is more attractive than a clean and prettily decorated table.—Student.

Aunt Nancy Robinson of Rushville, Ind., age 117 years, who is probably the oldest woman in Indiana, is seriously ill at her home in this city, and may not survive many days. Mrs. Robinson, until the beginning of her present illness, was blessed with remarkable health for one of her years. For several years she has not had good eyesight, and a growing blindness has gradually obscured her vision. Her mental faculties are as good as they were twenty-five years ago. Mrs. Robinson is a native of Kentucky, and was born on the Thompson estate, near Mt. Sterling. She was reared by the Thompson family, and made frequent trips with the Thompsons to New Orleans and other places. She was in New Orleans when General Jackson defeated the British, 1814, and loves to tell of the valor of "Old Hickory." After the civil war, Mrs. Robinson came to Indiana, where she has since led a quiet life with her relatives. She is the mother of seventeen children, of whom but three are living.

Current Clippings.

Dyersburg, Tenn., Special.—Dr. Henry Bullock gave to the congregation of the St. Matthew church on last Sunday evenning at 8 o'clock one of his hair raising sermons also at 7 p m. Presbytery was in session at the Cumberland church last week. A good number of preachers and delegates were present. A banquet was given at the Odd Fellow's hall on Saturday night. We were shocked last Monday morning by hearing of the sudden death of Mrs. Emaline Connell while returning from church last Sunday night. She took sick before getting home and died before a physician could reach her. Many friends mourn her loss. She was 76 years of age and a faithful christian. Mrs. D. Engram gave her farewell sermon at Cumberland church last Monday night. Dr. J. B. Clay gave a short visit to his Ripley relatives last Sunday. Logan Reed made a flying trip down the road last Sunday. A number of Newburn, Trimble and Obion friends were down to pay us a visit on last Sunday.

Boiled Brevities.

Churchville, Tenn., Special.—Mr. Steve Cooper one of the oldest and best known men died Sunday the 6th and was buried on the 8th. Mr. Cooper was an old soldier and a member of the M. E. church. He left a widow and several children also a host of friends to mourn his loss. Bishop Turner spent Sunday, April 13th here. He preached to a packed house of admirers. Mrs. Lowe, of Citico Ave , has been very sick but is up again. Mrs. Roof Robinson is on the sick list but she came out to hear the Bishop. Quite an excitement was caused among the white people of Avondale over the erection of a colored park in that suburb. The men who are going to operate the park promise to conduct an orderly place and if that is done, we cant see where anybody could object. Read The Freeman and keep posted.

Of a General Character.

Alton. Ill , Special.—Miss Minnie Hunter has returned home from Eldorado, Ill., where she has been teaching the past seven months. Miss Hunter is a graduate of the Alton public schools and this was her first experience as a teacher. The Flotilla Pleasure Club gave a reception at the home of Mrs. Bertha Holman, April 22nd. Alien Chapel has two more conversions and nine accessions during its revival. The friends of Mr. Andrew Fox will be pleased to know that he has returned from the West. Mrs. George Arbuckle nee Poindexter) is quite ill with pneumonia

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Harry Bass of Connersville was at the Parker house this week.

Mr. Robert Johnson has gone to Wawasee, Ind., for an indefinite stay.

Miss Mattie Mitchell will sing at Anderson, Ind., next week, the 30th.

Mr. Clarence White of Washington, D. C., was the guest of W. H. Fielding this week.

Mrs. Julia Brown Hillman of Covington, Ky., is in the city visiting her parents.

W. H. Fielding, Dr. Humming and Miss Daisy Walker were in Shelbyville last Sunday.

Mrs Irene Bagby, in Talbott avenue, entertained the Topaz Cluster club on Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Fannie Bond died last Saturday, April 19, and was buried from Allen Chapel on Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Louise Shores was called last Monday to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Julia Shores, Lexington, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Watts, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ed Green of the Black Patti Troubadours were at the Parker house this week.

Mrs. Hulda Webb and daughter, Mrs. Willis Bryant were thrown from a vehicle last Friday and were seriously injured.

Misses Addie Moore and Dessie Singleton of Franklin, Ind, were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Shelton last Sunday.

Mr. John Stuart died at his residence on Bright street, last Monday, and was buried from Bethel church Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Mary Miles of Murfreesboro, Tenn., is visiting her daughters, Misses Hattie, Katie and Josephine, on West Twelfth street.

Mr. H. V. Eagleson of Bloomington, grand lecturer of F. and A. M. of the State of Indiana, was at the Parker house this week.

A musical and novelty entertainment for the benefit of St. Phillip's Guild will be given at Odd Fellows' on Friday evening, May 2d.

Miss Laura Jackson, of this city, and Charles W. Bramlett, of Nashville, Tenn., were quietly married on Tuesday, April 1st.

A Fad Social for the benefit of the Y. P. A. of Allen Chapel will be given April 30 from 4 to 11 p. m. at the residence of Mrs. Ella Williams, 1725 Columbia avenue.

The Enterprise club met with Mr. and Mrs. Furgerson last Tuesday evening. The club will be entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Merriweather at 812 Oriental street next Tuesday evening.

The colored Y. M. C. A. will hold its service Sunday at Mt. Zion Baptist church on Eleventh street, at 4 p. m. All are cordially invited. The young men were disappointed in the rooms they expected to get last week. They were not as suitably adapted to the needs of the association as first anticipated. They will open just as soon as they can secure a suitable location.

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That Alpha Home Benefit.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 23, '02.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Having noticed, in a recent issue of the Recorder and World, of this city, a communication from Rev. Gilliam, asking an explanation as to the manner of conducting the recent entertainment at Tomlinson Hall for the benefit of the Alpha Home, and also learning that there is a general desire on the part of the public for such explanation, we submit herewith the following statement:

Mr. McClain, in company with Mr. Webb, met our Board and subsequently the Association, and submitted a proposition without details, to give a benefit for the Alpha Home. Later the proposition was submitted in writing, specifying in consideration of 60 per cent. of the net proceeds he would assume all responsibility in arranging for the entertainment. This our board did not accept, but an agreement was reached by which Mr. McClain was to receive 60 per cent. of the gross proceeds, out of which all expenses incident to the entertainment were to be paid. It was definitely understood and agreed between the board and Mr. McClain that there was to be no dancing, and the board has reliable information that a similar agreement and understanding was had by the churches whose choirs took part in the program.

The night of the "benefit," at the close of the program, Dr. Ward was requested by the board to make public announcement that there would be no dancing, and Custodian Richardson was also asked by the board to turn out the lights, which he refused to do, stating that the hall had been rented to Mr. McClain. An effort was then made to get the music stopped, and the leader was paid by the board, with the understanding that he would discontinue playing. After receiving the money and receipting the board for it, he declined to stop the playing.

In regard to the books offered the contesting choirs we wish to say that Mr. McClain made mention of his intention of so doing at the time he met the officers to sign the agreement. In making final settlement with him the board requested him to present all bills, which he did, with the exception of the one for choir books Upon this oversight being brought to Mr. Webb's notice he at once agreed, as Mr. McClain's representative, to furnish the books.

The board regrets exceedingly that the public did not thoroughly understand the nature of the agreement with Mr. McClain, as we were under the impression that the same was generally known, it having been submitted and considered at a public meeting.

We desire to thank the friends who assisted us, and trust that this explanation may be satisfactory to them and to the public, to whom it is made frankly and freely.

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Fountain Club Mask Meeting.

Jackson, Mich., Special.—Misses Hattie Carson, May Slatter of Ann Arbor spent a few days last week with Rev. and Mrs. Collins. The Fountain club met at the A. M. E. church on the 17th and held a mask meeting. Some good speeches were made. Frank Hammond, of Lansing, Mich., is in the city. Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Washington, on the 16th inst., a fine girl. Mr. Steers, of Ann Arbor, is in the city. Levi Harrison is on the sick list. Frank Johnson is ill. Wm. Goodall has returned to the city. Mr. Stranford, of Pittsburg, is in the city. Emmet Williams, of Parma, was in the city Sunday. Miss Craige, of Lansing, is ill. Mrs. Wm. Kemp is visiting her husband in Lansing. Mrs. Hattie Taylor leaves to-day for Battle Creek. The Freeman can be secured from Miss Flossie M. Johnson, 216 E. Franklin street.

Interesting College Notes.

Normal, Ala., Special.—Several of our teachers attended the Teachers' Association in Decatur last week. Professors Echols, Davis and Lewis of Birmingham, Moses of Anniston and Beverly of Montgomery, visited Normal last week. In the evening each of the gentlemen delivered short addresses to the teachers and students, which were inspiring and interesting. Miss Susie Gray who is now teaching in the public schools of Bessemer, Ala., paid her alma mater a pleasant visit. Misses Terrell and Foster, two of the leading teachers of the State Normal School, Montgomery, Ala., spent a day with us. We are making preparations for commencement, May 25, 26 and 27.

A View of the Criminal Side.

Kansas City, Mo., Special.—Alex. Rout has been turned over to the officers by his bondsmen, after being out for two weeks. It is supposed they became dissatisfied after hearing the evidence in the preliminary trial. Mr. Rout was watchman for a firm here and seeing an old white man picking up scrap iron, ordered him away several times but he took no heed. In arresting the old man Mr. Rout had to use his club, from the effects of which the old gent died a few days ago. Bill Dixon and Abe Lewis were recently sentenced to 30 years in the penitentiary for highway robbery.

Items From Muncie.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—The trustees of the A. M. E. church gave an entertainment, assisted by the band, last Monday evening. The Wayman club, an organization formed to assis in raising funds to be used in remodeling the A. M. E. church, gave a "Haysee social" Thursday evening. Miss Fanny Davis of Columbus, Ind., passed through the city en route to points in Ohio, last Thursday, and while in the city was the guest of W. E. Robbins and family. Mrs. Washington of Celina is in the city, called here by the very serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Curtis, of Whiteley. A Dr. Cooper of Dayton, Ohio, is in the city selling Dr. Cooper's remedies. He has with him a band composed of colored musicians. Quite a number from Muncie attended the banquet given by the Masons at Anderson, Thursday evening, April 10. Mr. Douglass made a flying trip to Anderson on Thursday. Mr. Jackson of Whiteley is still a very sick man.

Bishop Turner Endorsed.

Editor Freeman—After reading Bishop Turner's last week's letter to your great and glorious paper, I thought of writing you a line. I endorse the old man as to what he has to say about non-combativeness of the Negro race. He is right all the way through about the "do nothing" class of Negroes of this race—who never do or try to do anything for themselves, their race or any other race, but howl down everybody and everything. Let the Negroes hold all the conventions they want, pass all the resolutions they want and all go to Africa or any other country they want. Let them act as they please, just as other people do. Respectfully yours for all the freedom there is for our race. A. M. MIDDLEBROOK.

ADDITIONAL STAGE

SONGS AND SINGERS

Wilbur Mack, of the Ullie Akerstrom company, at present touring the middle West reports a bountiful success with Standish and Silberberg's, "You'se De Sweetest Coons Dat's Born." Carl T. Stickney's "Sweet Little Janey Daley," and Al. Brown and Sidney Perrin's "Show Your Invitation" or (You can't come in)

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The roster of the Grace Hayward company includes Jack Caldwell, the well known song illustrator; the principal number in his repertoire being Kennett and Udall's "Stay in Your Own Back Yard."

The music of J. W. Bratton's latest brilliant musical bon-mot: "In a Cosey Corner" will be used by Louis Allen Collier for a new dance that is to be introduced in Willie Collier's production of "The Diplomat."

On the Pacific slope, Emil Mayo is achieving great things with Jas. Thornton's "When You Were Sweet Sixteen." Kennett and Udall's "Stay in Your own Back Yard." and Gillespie and Dillea's "Absence Makes the Heart Grow Fonder." These are effectively rendered with the aid of illustrated song slides.

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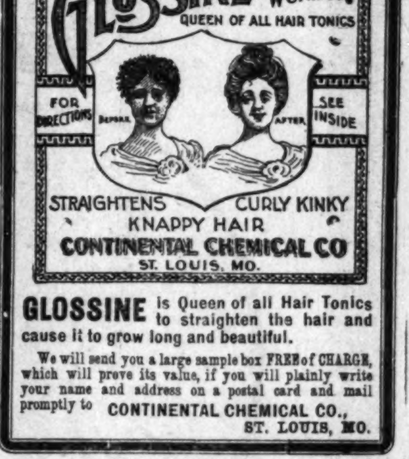

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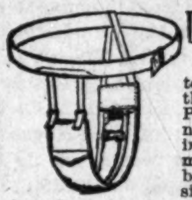

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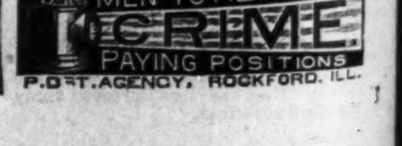
New York, April 21.—Spot cotton closed quiet and 1-16c higher; middling uplands, 9½c; middling gulf, 9¾c. Sales, 950 bales.

New Orleans, April 22.—Cotton steady. Sales, 1,650 bales. Ordinary, 8c; good ordinary, 8½c; low middling, 8⅞c; middling, 9¼c; good middling, 9 9-16c; middling fair, 10 3-16c. Receipts 4,728 bales; stock, 218,061 bales.

New York, April 22.—Cotton—Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 9½c; middling gulf, 9¾c. Sales, 1,529 bales.

Dr. Joseph H. Ward
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